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1                   **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON**  
2                   **TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2009 BEGINS ON PAGE 154.]**

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6   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LIKE TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER  
7   PLEASE. GOOD MORNING, I'D ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. THIS  
8   MORNING WE WILL BE LED IN OUR INVOCATION BY DR. SHERMAN  
9   GORDON, NEW PHILADELPHIA A.M.E. CHURCH IN RANCHO DOMINGUEZ,  
10   AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY ANITA SALAZAR, ADJUTANT, THE  
11   AGUIRRE POST NO. 748, SAN GABRIEL, THE AMERICAN LEGION.

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13   **DR. SHERMAN GORDON:** A PRIVILEGE AND PLEASURE IT IS TO BE HERE  
14   THIS MORNING TO OFFER UP A MORNING INVOCATION. I'M ESPECIALLY  
15   GRATEFUL TO BE HERE WITH ONE I CONSIDER A NEAR AND DEAR  
16   FRIEND, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND SO AGAIN, THANK YOU  
17   FOR THIS INVOCATION, CHANCE TO GIVE AN INVOCATION. HISTORY  
18   TELLS US IN NEHEMIAH 4:6 "SO THE PEOPLE BUILT THE WALL BECAUSE  
19   THEY HAD A MIND TO WORK TOGETHER." A NATION HAVING FINANCIAL  
20   CRISIS IN THE MIDST OF MORE FORECLOSURES THAN HOUSE OPENINGS.  
21   IN THE MIDST OF FAMILIES HAVING TO DEAL WITH FURLOUNDS. IF  
22   EVER THERE WAS A TIME THAT WE NEED TO COME TOGETHER AND PRAY,  
23   IT IS NOW. I BELIEVE THAT WE'VE ALL GATHERED HERE TODAY UNDER  
24   THE BANNER THAT SAYS WE'RE NOT HERE TO PLAY, TO DREAM OR TO  
25   DRIFT. WE HAVE WORK TO DO, THOSE TO LIFT. SHALL I NOT THIS



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1 TASK, IT IS OUR GIFT. WITH THAT BEING SAID, LET US JUST REACH  
2 OUT AND TOUCH A NEIGHBOR'S HAND AS WE GO TO GOD IN PRAYER.  
3 GOD, WE COME SEEKING YOUR FACE. WE ARE WELL AWARE THAT EXCEPT  
4 YOU BUILD THIS CITY, EXCEPT YOU WATCH THIS CITY, OUR WORK IS  
5 IN VAIN. AND GOD, WE DO NOT DESIRE AS COMMUNITY LEADERS, AS  
6 CLERGY LEADERS, AS CITIZENS TO HAVE OUR WORK TO BE IN VAIN. SO  
7 IN THIS DAY, WE PRAY THAT YOU PROVIDE OUR SUPERVISORS THE  
8 GUIDANCE FOR THE DECISIONS THAT THEY'LL MAKE, THE DIRECTION  
9 FOR THE ACTIONS THAT THEY'LL TAKE, THE FORTITUDE FOR THE TASKS  
10 AT HAND. THEN AS ALWAYS, AID THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN  
11 PUTTING ASIDE PERSONAL PREFERENCE THAT THEY MIGHT FOCUS ON THE  
12 PREFERENCE OF THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH THEY  
13 SERVE. BE WITH THEM AS THEY EVALUATE COUNTY POLICIES AND  
14 NAVIGATE PATHS THAT WILL GENERATE FUNDING FOR NEEDED PROGRAMS  
15 AND STRENGTHEN THEM AS THEY EXAMINE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THEIR  
16 DEPARTMENTS AND THEIR COMMISSIONS SO THAT THE HISTORY BOOKS OF  
17 TOMORROW WILL REFLECT THAT THESE GREAT LEADERS, THIS LEGACY OF  
18 GREAT SUPERVISORS MOVED OUR DISTRICTS AND OUR COMMUNITIES  
19 FORTH, AIDED THE PEOPLE, PRODUCED WORK FOR OUR PROJECTS, AND  
20 BETTERED OUR COMMUNITIES. WHERE THEY MUST DISAGREE, HELP THEM  
21 TO OPERATE IN A SPIRIT OF AGREEMENT, KNOWING A FIVE-BRAIDED  
22 CORD IS GREATER THAN ANY SINGLE-BRAIDED CORD. NOW, GOD, WHEN  
23 WE LEAVE THIS PLACE, HELP US TO SEE THE CHANGE IN THIS ROOM  
24 THAT WE DESIRE TO SEE IN OUR WORLD. ALL THESE THINGS WE ASK  
25 AND BELIEVE IN YOUR NAME, AMEN.





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2 **ANITA SALAZAR:** FACE THE FLAG, PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR  
3 HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF  
4 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN  
9 AND COLLEAGUES. IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE THE  
10 PASTOR OF THE NEW PHILADELPHIA AME CHURCH, THE REVEREND  
11 SHERMAN GORDON, WHO HAS PASTORED THAT CONGREGATION AS THE  
12 FOUNDING AND ORGANIZING PASTOR FOR A BIT MORE THAN A DECADE,  
13 PRECISELY 11 YEARS. THIS CHURCH HAS GROWN TO ROUGHLY 2,000  
14 MEMBERS WITH 37 ACTIVE MINISTRIES. DR. GORDON SERVES WITH THE  
15 DISTINCTION OF BEING THE DIRECTOR OF THE MEN'S MINISTRY OF THE  
16 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL FIFTH  
17 DISTRICT. AND HE SERVES AS AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR IN THE AREA OF  
18 RELIGION, A COMMISSIONER IN THE CITY OF CARSON ON THE FINE  
19 ARTS AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION, NAMED BY "EBONY" MAGAZINE AS  
20 ONE OF THE YOUNG FUTURE LEADERS IN AMERICA. MARRIED TO MARINA  
21 BILBREW- GORDON, TWO CHILDREN: EXODUS NIA, A DAUGHTER THAT IS  
22 THE DAUGHTER, AND EDON HILL AS THEIR SON. SO WE'RE DELIGHTED  
23 TO WELCOME THIS GRADUATE FROM U.C.S.B. AND FAIRMONT SCHOOL OF  
24 THEOLOGY AS WELL AS THE UNITED THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN DAYTON,  
25 AND SAY TO HIM THAT WE TAKE GREAT PRIDE AND PLEASURE IN



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1 WELCOMING YOU HERE TODAY, PASTOR GORDON, AND TO SAY THANK YOU  
2 FOR YOUR STIRRING INVOCATION. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO A  
3 STRONGER AND CONTINUING RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU AS YOU SEEK TO  
4 SERVE GOD'S PEOPLE AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS  
5 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANITA, IF YOU JOIN ME HERE, PLEASE. ON  
8 BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I'D LIKE TO MAKE THIS  
9 PRESENTATION. WE WANT TO THANK YOU, ONCE AGAIN, FOR TAKING  
10 TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO DO THIS. ANITA SALAZAR  
11 RESIDES IN ROSEMEAD AND IS WITH THE AMERICAN LEGION AS I  
12 MENTIONED, POST 748 IN SAN GABRIEL. SHE SERVED AS A PETTY  
13 OFFICER THIRD CLASS WITH PIER 91 NAVAL STATION IN SEATTLE IN  
14 1951 TO '54. HER DECORATIONS INCLUDE A NATIONAL DEFENSE  
15 SERVICE MEDAL AND A MEDAL OF GOOD CONDUCT. SO WE AGAIN EXTEND  
16 OUR GRATITUDE FOR HER TAKING THE TIME TO DO THIS, BUT MOST  
17 IMPORTANTLY, YOUR SERVICE TO THE COUNTRY AND TO OUR NATION.  
18 AND I WOULD SAY AS A FELLOW NAVY PERSON, ANCHORS AWAY.  
19 [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. WE WILL DO THE AGENDA.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
22 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE  
23 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D  
24 THROUGH 7-D. ON ITEM NO. 1-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER  
25 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2-D, THERE'S A



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1 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON NO.  
2 3-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
3 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 4-D, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
4 AGENDA, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
5 COMMISSION REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO  
6 AUGUST 11TH, 2009.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 6-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
11 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. SO ITEMS 5-D AND 7-D  
12 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEMS 5-D AND 7-D, MOVED BY  
15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT  
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF  
19 THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 5-H. ON ITEM NO. 1-H,  
20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 5-H, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
25 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.





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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 1-H.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 1-H, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND 5-H, FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ITEMS  
9 2-H, 3-H, AND 4-H ARE BEFORE YOU.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
13 ORDERED.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 8. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
16 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 18. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
17 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2,  
18 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE  
19 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3, THERE'S  
20 A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON  
21 ITEM NO. 4, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO  
22 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 7, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
23 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR KNABE AMENDED THIS MOTION  
24 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ALSO SUPERVISOR



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1 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS  
2 TO AUGUST 18TH, 2009.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 9, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
7 SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS  
8 ITEM BE HELD.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER BOARD OF  
13 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
16 RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
17 ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 15, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS  
20 19 THROUGH 56. ON ITEM NO. 19, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS  
21 REQUESTS THAT HIS AMENDMENT BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.  
22 AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
23 THIS ITEM.

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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE AMENDMENT WILL BE REFERRED  
2   BACK TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S OFFICE. WE WILL HOLD THE  
3   REMAINDER FOR THE PUBLIC.

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5   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 21, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO  
6   ON THIS ITEM AND THERE'S ALSO -- 21. AND ALSO THERE'S A  
7   REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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9   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

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11   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 27, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM  
12   MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 28,  
13   THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
14   ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 32, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE  
15   PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 48, THERE'S A REQUEST  
16   FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NO.  
17   50, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE  
18   WEEK TO AUGUST 11TH, 2009. THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT  
19   CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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21   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
22   ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT  
23   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND I APOLOGIZE. ON 45, WE CALLED IT. I'M  
2 SORRY. ON PAGE 30, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 57 AND  
3 58. AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. ON ITEM  
4 NO. 57, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6, SALARIES OF THE  
5 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE ADDITION, DELETION,  
6 AND/OR CHANGING OF CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF  
7 ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THE  
8 FINDINGS OF CLASSIFICATION STUDIES AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL  
9 CORRECTIONS.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY  
12 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 58, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES NO ON  
15 THIS ITEM. AND THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
16 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. YOU'RE CORRECT. THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
17 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM RIGHT NOW. AND THAT  
18 WOULD BE THE SAME FOR ITEM NO. 21. PAGE 31, DISCUSSION ITEMS,  
19 ITEMS 59 AND 60. ON ITEM NO. 59, WE WILL HOLD FOR A  
20 DISCUSSION. ON ITEM NO. 60, WE WILL HOLD FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.  
21 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE  
22 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE  
23 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 61-A, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
24 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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3    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 34, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, ON  
4    ITEM NO. CS-1, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS  
5    ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO AUGUST 18TH, 2009.

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7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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9    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. CS-5 AS INDICATED ON THE  
10    SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
11    CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 11TH, 2009.

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13    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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15    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE  
16    AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH  
17    SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 5.

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19    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. ANTONOVICH, IF YOU WOULD, WE  
20    HAVE AN L.A. COUNTY STARS PRESENTATION. IT IS A PLEASURE TO  
21    INTRODUCE TO ALL OF YOU -- TO OUR VIEWING AUDIENCE, THE AUGUST  
22    2009 L.A. COUNTY STARS IN THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE  
23    AND ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. PLEASE WELCOME THE FOOD  
24    STAMP NUTRITION PROGRAM AND LEADER APPLICATION MAINTENANCE  
25    SECTION TEAMS FROM OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES.



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1 AS A RESULT OF THE ENACTMENT OF THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND  
2 REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009, SIGNED INTO LAW BY PRESIDENT BARACK  
3 OBAMA IN FEBRUARY, FOOD STAMP BENEFITS WERE INCREASED BY 13.6  
4 PERCENT, EFFECTIVE APRIL 1ST, 2009. THE DEPARTMENT'S FOOD  
5 STAMP NUTRITION PROGRAM AND LEADER APPLICATION MAINTENANCE  
6 SECTIONS JOINED TOGETHER VERY QUICKLY TO ANALYZE AND DETERMINE  
7 THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION TO MEET THE DEADLINE. ROUTINE POLICY  
8 MODIFICATION AND ENHANCEMENT TO THE LEADER SYSTEM USUALLY  
9 TAKES FOUR TO SIX MONTHS. BUT BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF  
10 THIS BENEFIT INCREASE AND THE NEED TO ACT VERY QUICKLY, THESE  
11 TWO SECTIONS COLLABORATED AND WERE ABLE TO QUICKLY CLARIFY THE  
12 POLICY, CONDENSE TESTING FROM TWO MONTHS TO JUST A FEW DAYS,  
13 AND PUT THE PROGRAM IN PLACE BY APRIL 1ST. IN ONLY FOUR WEEKS,  
14 THE COLLABORATION OF THESE TWO SECTIONS ALLOWED 750,000  
15 HOUSEHOLDS TO RECEIVE ALMOST \$17 MILLION IN STIMULUS FOOD  
16 STAMP BENEFITS DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL. THE TEAM EFFORT AND  
17 HARD WORK THAT WENT INTO IMPLEMENTING THESE CHANGES  
18 EXPEDITIOUSLY MADE INCREASED BENEFITS AVAILABLE AS QUICKLY AS  
19 POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HELP DURING THESE VERY  
20 DIFFICULT ECONOMIC TIMES. THE ACCOMPLISHMENT IS PARTICULARLY  
21 SIGNIFICANT SINCE THE OTHER STATES NEEDED FEDERAL AND STATE  
22 WAIVERS BECAUSE THEIR PROGRAMMING WAS NOT COMPLETED IN A  
23 TIMELY MANNER. SO THE TEAM MEMBERS RECEIVED THEIR SCROLLS  
24 BEFORE THE MEETING, BUT WE WANTED TO RECOGNIZE THEM. COME ON  
25 UP, SIR. AND WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE,





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1 OKAY? [APPLAUSE.] PHILIP, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS  
2 PLEASE?

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4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF  
5 SUPERVISORS FOR CREATING THE L.A. STARS PROGRAM. I THINK THIS  
6 IS A FANTASTIC ACCOMPLISHMENT AND SHOWS HOW GOVERNMENT CAN  
7 WORK AT ITS BEST. GOVERNMENT IS BUREAUCRATIC IN MANY, MANY  
8 WAYS; BUT THE PEOPLE BEHIND ME AND SOME OF THE PEOPLE OUT IN  
9 THE AUDIENCE THAT ARE REPRESENTED BY THE UNISYS CORPORATION,  
10 REALLY WORKED VERY, VERY HARD UNDER TRYING CIRCUMSTANCES TO  
11 IMPLEMENT A VERY COMPLEX POLICY AND DID IT IN A REMARKABLY  
12 SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. THEY IMPLEMENTED IT IN APRIL. AND I  
13 THINK THROUGH THIS MONTH, OVER \$75 MILLION HAS GONE INTO THE  
14 LOCAL LOS ANGELES ECONOMY THROUGH THE HARD WORK OF THE PEOPLE  
15 BEHIND ME. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY AGAIN: THANK YOU FOR ALL THE  
16 HARD WORK OF THESE STAFF. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CONGRATULATIONS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?  
19 I BET THE UNISYS FOLKS OUT REALLY EXCITED. I REALLY SAID  
20 SOMETHING NICE. THAT WAS AN INSIDE JOKE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, IT'S A PLEASURE TO  
23 RECOGNIZE ONE OF OUR JUDGES WHO HAS RETIRED THIS PAST MONTH,  
24 JUDGE JOHN FARRELL FROM OUR SUPERIOR COURT. I'VE HAD THE  
25 OPPORTUNITY OF KNOWING JOHN AND HIS BROTHER MICHAEL. MICHAEL



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1 WAS MY CLASSMATE WHO ALSO SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE SUPERIOR  
2 COURT WITH DISTINCTION BEFORE HE RETIRED RECENTLY, AS WELL.  
3 AND WITH HIM IS BRENDON FARRELL, WHO IS HIS SON AND WAS ALSO A  
4 FORMER INTERN IN MY OFFICE WHO JUST GRADUATED FROM THE  
5 UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME LAW SCHOOL AND HAS JUST TAKEN THE BAR  
6 AND HOPEFULLY THAT WILL BE A SUCCESS BECAUSE WE NEED MORE  
7 HONEST LAWYERS, RIGHT? ANYWAY, JUDGE FARRELL GRADUATED FROM  
8 LOYOLA UNIVERSITY IN 1962 AND THEN HE RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S  
9 DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM U.C.L.A. AND HIS LAW DEGREE  
10 WAS FROM YALE UNIVERSITY IN 1966. HE AUTHORED A COMPILATION OF  
11 LAWS FOR THE ISLAND OF YAP IN MICRONESIA, THEN SPENT YEAR AT  
12 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY OF LAW ON A FULL ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP  
13 WHERE HE WAS SECOND IN HIS CLASS AND THE RECIPIENT OF FIVE  
14 AMERICAN JURISPRUDENCE AWARDS. HE BEGAN HIS LEGAL CAREER AS AN  
15 ATTORNEY WITH THE PEACE CORPS THEN WENT TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT  
16 OF INTERIOR ON A THREE-YEAR STINT IN MICRONESIA NEAR GUAM.  
17 THEN HE SPENT NEARLY A DECADE IN OUR COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE  
18 AS AN ATTORNEY BEFORE VENTURING TO THE PRIVATE PRACTICE FOR  
19 SIX YEARS WITH THE LAW FIRM OF COLEMAN AND FARRELL. THEN HE  
20 RETURNED TO THE COUNTY ONCE AGAIN AS DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL. HE  
21 WAS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN IN 1987 TO THE  
22 SUPERIOR COURT. AND FOR THE PAST TWO DECADES HAD ADMINISTERED  
23 JUSTICE IN COUNTLESS CIVIL AND CRIMINAL CASES, OFTEN SHARING  
24 THAT SAME COURT WITH HIS BROTHER, MICHAEL, IN THE SAN FERNANDO  
25 VALLEY COURTHOUSE. HE IS NOW RETIRING, BUT HE WILL STILL BE



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1 ACTIVE AND SERVE AS A JUDGE PART-TIME FOR VARIOUS CASES. BUT,  
2 JOHN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO OUR COUNTY. AND HIS  
3 WIFE IS ALSO THE SCHOOL NURSE PART-TIME AT GRANADA HILLS  
4 CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL. SO, JOHN, CONGRATULATIONS AND I GIVE YOU  
5 THIS PROCLAMATION. [APPLAUSE.] SAY A FEW WORDS?

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7 **HONORABLE JOHN FARRELL:** WELL, IT'S BEEN A GREAT HONOR TO SERVE  
8 THE COUNTY AS A JUDGE. IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO BE CHOSEN AS A  
9 JUDGE. AND I TRIED TO FULFILL EVERY DAY AS BEST I COULD THE  
10 TRUST THAT WAS PUT INTO ME TO APPLY THE LAW AS EQUALLY TO  
11 EVERYONE BEFORE ME. SO IT'S TIME FOR SOMEBODY ELSE TO HAVE  
12 THAT OPPORTUNITY AND CHANCE TO GO FORWARD, AND I APPRECIATED  
13 IT VERY MUCH. SO THANK YOU TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY AND  
14 THANK YOU TO GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN, AS WELL AS TO MIKE  
15 ANTONOVICH. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE DALE WHITNEY  
18 AND RICHARD IIZUKA, WHO IS THE CHIEF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF  
19 WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, TO DECLARE AUGUST THIRD THROUGH THE  
20 SEVENTH AS NATIONAL CERTIFIED MARKETS WEEK THROUGHOUT THE  
21 COUNTY. TODAY WITH US, MR. WHITNEY WHO HAS BEEN A CERTIFIED  
22 FARMERS' MARKET MANAGER IN OUR COUNTY FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS.  
23 HE'S PROMOTED FARMERS HAVING DIRECT ACCESS TO MARKETS TO  
24 SUPPLEMENT FARM INCOME AND FACILITATE CONSUMERS' ACCESS TO  
25 LOCALLY GROWN, FARM FRESH PRODUCE. HE'S TAKEN A LEAD POSITION



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1 IN PROVIDING TO ALL AREA RESIDENTS THE ACCESS, THE BENEFITS OF  
2 HEALTHY EATING AND FRESH PRODUCE AT CERTIFIED MARKETS.  
3 ADDITIONALLY, HE'S BEEN AN ACTIVE ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE  
4 CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET ADVISORY COMMITTEE, WHICH INTERDICTS  
5 DIRECTLY WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
6 FOOD AND AGRICULTURE REGARDING CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET  
7 ISSUES. SO WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS. WE  
8 NEED MORE BROCCOLI, MORE VEGETABLES, LESS BIG MACS AND CARL'S  
9 AND ALL THE OTHER BAD FOODS, RIGHT?

10

11 **DALE WHITNEY:** ABSOLUTELY.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ABOUT THE SOUTHERN CHICKEN  
14 SANDWICH?

15

16 **RICHARD IIZUKA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I  
17 JUST WANT TO SAY THAT DALE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A MARKET  
18 MANAGER IN APRIL OF 1989 IN THE HARBOR AREA OF LOS ANGELES  
19 COUNTY. AND NOW THAT'S GROWN TO FIVE MARKETS. HE'S SPONSORED  
20 BY THE SOUTH COAST INTERFAITH COUNCIL, WHO PUTS EMPHASIS ON  
21 NEIGHBORHOOD, CHARITABLE INTENTIONS AND SERVING LOW INCOME  
22 PEOPLE. ONE OF THE INTERESTING THINGS TO THINK ABOUT IS THAT  
23 IT'S BEEN 30 YEARS SINCE THE VERY FIRST CERTIFIED FARMERS'  
24 MARKET WAS OPENED IN GARDENA. AND CURRENTLY IN LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY, WE HAVE 117 CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKETS OPERATING ON A  
2 WEEKLY BASIS. SO I'D LIKE TO CALL UP DALE RIGHT NOW?

3

4 **DALE WHITNEY:** I JUST WANTED TO SAY A COUPLE OF QUICK WORDS.  
5 I'M NOT A LONE WOLF. I WORK WITH A BOARD OF MANAGERS. AND OF  
6 COURSE CUSTOMERS AND FARMERS ARE THE OTHER PARTS OF THE  
7 EQUATION WITH CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKETS. AND I THINK MOST OF  
8 YOU DO KNOW THERE'S ONE RIGHT OUTSIDE THE DOOR TODAY FOR YOU  
9 TO ENJOY. I DO WANT TO INTRODUCE MY BOARD OF MANAGERS, THESE  
10 ARE THE PEOPLE WHO HIRE ME, THE BOARD OF MANAGERS. THIS IS  
11 EVAN NUTT, WHO IS FROM LONG BEACH LIKE I AM, WHO IS OUR  
12 PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD. THIS IS MARGARET CHERRY, WHO ALSO IS  
13 FROM LONG BEACH. SHE'S OUR SECRETARY. AND DONNA STEWART,  
14 HAPPENS TO LIVE RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM ME AND SHE'S A  
15 LOYAL CUSTOMER. SO SHE'S HERE TODAY, TOO, TO REPRESENT THAT  
16 PART OF IT. THE OTHER PART OF IT IS FARMERS. AND WE HAVE SOME  
17 FARMERS ON OUR BOARD OF MANAGERS, BUT THEY'RE SO BUSY, I MEAN  
18 NONE OF THEM ARE HERE TODAY. I HAVE COME TO THIS FARMERS'  
19 MARKET MANY TIMES THROUGH THE YEARS. AND JOHN TINARELLI, WELL  
20 HE'S A MIDDLE AGED FARMER NOW, USED TO BE YOUNG. HE'S GOT THE  
21 PEACH STALL OUT HERE. AND I WAS HOPING HE'D BE HERE TODAY. BUT  
22 HE DIDN'T COME. HE SENT A COUPLE OF EMPLOYEES. SO I'VE GOT HIS  
23 CELL PHONE NUMBER RIGHT HERE AND I'M GOING TO CALL HIM UP AND  
24 GIVE HIM A HARD TIME JUST AS SOON AS WE LEAVE HERE. THE OTHER  
25 THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS WE DO TAKE E.B.T. FOOD STAMPS AT



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1 ALL OF OUR MARKETS. THAT'S NOT TRUE OF ALL THE FARMERS'  
2 MARKETS. SO IT WAS REALLY NICE TO SEE THE FOOD STAMP PEOPLE  
3 HERE TODAY AND SEE THEM GET SOME RECOGNITION, AS WELL. THANK  
4 YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE LITTLE HANNAH WHO IS A DOMESTIC SHORT  
7 HAIR MIX. SHE WAS EIGHT WEEKS OLD. SHE WAS IN OUR OFFICE  
8 EARLIER THIS MORNING RUNNING AROUND HAVING A GOOD TIME. NOW  
9 THIS IS LITTLE HANNAH. HANNAH'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO WHO  
10 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER? YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644, OR ANYBODY  
11 IN THE AUDIENCE? I DON'T KNOW HOW SHE LIKES HER VEGGIES, BUT  
12 IF ANYBODY FROM THE CERTIFIED FARMERS, THIS IS LITTLE HANNAH.  
13 HERE WE GO. NICE CALICO COLOR. OKAY. INTERESTED?

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE HAVE TWO ALREADY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. I UNDERSTAND.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** GOOD MORNING, IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO BE  
22 JOINED BY SOME GREAT LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITY, IN PARTICULAR  
23 LEADERSHIP IN THE CHINESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY. AND THAT IS FROM  
24 THE CHINESE AMERICAN CITIZEN ALLIANCE, AND I WANT TO BEGIN BY  
25 INTRODUCING DR. MUNSON KWOK, WHO IS THE GRAND PRESIDENT,





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1 SOMEONE WE'VE KNOWN FOR A LONG TIME, A WONDERFUL LEADER. XIANG  
2 FU, WHO IS A PAST GRAND PRESIDENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING  
3 HERE, SIR. CAROLINE CHEN WHO IS HERE. AND SHE IS THE GRAND  
4 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, IF THAT'S CORRECT. OUR VERY OWN JOHN  
5 WONG, WHO IS A GRAND AUDITOR AND PA WONG WHO IS THE SAN  
6 GABRIEL VALLEY PRESIDENT. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US. IT IS MY  
7 HONOR TO GIVE COMMENDATION. THIS ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN SERVING  
8 THE CHINESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND CERTAINLY OUR COMMUNITY, AS  
9 WELL, OVERALL, FOR OVER 50 YEARS. IT HAS BEEN AN AMAZING  
10 AMOUNT OF WORK. WHEN YOU READ THEIR HISTORY AND THEIR  
11 BACKGROUND AND THE KIND OF EFFORTS THAT THEY'VE PUT FORTH, IT  
12 IS AMAZING THE KIND OF WORK AND THE TENACIOUSNESS THAT THEY  
13 HAVE HAD THROUGHOUT THOSE 50 YEARS. WELL, NOW WE ARE HERE TO  
14 APPLAUD THEM FOR THE ALLIANCE'S 50TH BIENNIAL NATIONAL  
15 CONVENTION. IT IS GOING TO BE HELD THIS WEEK, AUGUST THE FIFTH  
16 THROUGH THE EIGHTH HERE IN THE CITY OF INDUSTRY. THE  
17 ORGANIZATION WAS ESTABLISHED WAY BACK IN 1895. IT HAS BEEN  
18 DEDICATED FOR INSURING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT, ECONOMIC  
19 OPPORTUNITIES, PROMOTING CITIZEN RESPONSIBILITY AND PROTECTING  
20 THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF CHINESE AMERICANS. IT HAS SEVERAL LOGES,  
21 AS THEY ARE CALLED, LOCATED THROUGHOUT MAJOR CITIES IN THIS  
22 THE COUNTRY. MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE CONTINUALLY STRIVE TO  
23 IMPROVE THEMSELVES, CHARITY, JUSTICE, FELLOWSHIP, AND FIDELITY  
24 AMONGST A VERY WARM AND FAMILY ATMOSPHERE. I'M PLEASED TO  
25 ACKNOWLEDGE THEM AND THEIR EFFORTS. BUT IN PARTICULAR,



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1 ACKNOWLEDGE THIS VERY WORTHY ORGANIZATION WHO IS PREPARED TO  
2 CELEBRATE 50 VERY, VERY COMMITTED AND DEDICATED YEARS AT THE  
3 50TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION THIS VERY WEEK. WE WANT TO THANK THEM  
4 FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP. THEY'VE DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB. THEY'RE  
5 PROBABLY ONE OF THE OLDEST CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS IN THIS  
6 COUNTRY. AND THEY CONTINUE DOING THEIR WORK EVERY SINGLE DAY.  
7 AND I APPLAUD THEIR LEADERSHIP, THEIR TENACIOUSNESS AND MORE  
8 IMPORTANTLY, THE KIND OF ONGOING CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THEY MAKE  
9 TO OUR COMMUNITY. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU. SO MUNSON,  
10 YOU'RE GOING TO COME UP AND JOIN US AND SPEAK? WOULD YOU  
11 APPLAUSE THEM ALL? I THINK THEY'RE VERY, VERY DESERVING.

12

13 **MUNSON KWOK:** THANK YOU ALL. IT'S A MOST GENEROUS DECLARATION  
14 AND A WONDERFUL PROCLAMATION, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THANK YOU  
15 VERY MUCH. CHAIR DON KNABE, OF COURSE, SUPERVISORS  
16 ANTONOVICH, A GOOD FRIEND, THOMAS, ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND,  
17 YAROSLAVSKY ALSO A GOOD FRIEND. THERE ISN'T A ONE OF YOU THAT  
18 WE HAVEN'T WORKED WITH OVER THE YEARS OR YOUR STAFFS ON BEHALF  
19 OF OUR COMMUNITIES. AND WE SIMPLY HAVE TO THANK YOU FOR THAT  
20 SUPPORT AND THAT CONTINUAL ATTENTIVENESS TO OUR NEEDS HERE,  
21 ESPECIALLY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OVER THE YEARS. WE ARE DEEPLY  
22 HONORED BY YOUR PROCLAMATION AND RECOGNITION OF OUR 50TH  
23 BIENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THIS THE CHINESE AMERICAN  
24 CITIZENS ALLIANCE. WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO BE DESERVING OF YOUR  
25 ACCLAIM OF US. WE ARE, IN FACT, 114 YEARS. AND AS YOU NOTED,



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1 BESIDES B'NAI B'RITH, THE OLDEST CIVIL RIGHTS AND IMMIGRANT  
2 RIGHTS ORGANIZATION NATIONALLY IN THE UNITED STATES. OUR LOS  
3 ANGELES CITY CHAPTER HAS BEEN IN BOTH OLD AND NEW CHINATOWN,  
4 ORIGINALLY SITUATED IN THE CHINESE AMERICAN MUSEUM AT EL  
5 PUEBLO TODAY. OUR YOUNGEST CHAPTER IS IN THE SAN GABRIEL  
6 VALLEY AND SERVES TODAY AS OUR CONVENTION HOST FOR THIS WEEK.  
7 FROM THE OLDEST TO THE YOUNGEST, THE GEOGRAPHICAL AND  
8 HISTORICAL FLOW OF THE FOLKS OF CHINESE DESCENT WITHIN THIS  
9 COUNTY CAN BE UNDERSTOOD AND TRACKED OVER THE YEARS. OUR  
10 MISSION CONTINUES TO BE, AS YOU HAVE HEARD, EQUALIZING OUR  
11 OPPORTUNITIES IN AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP WHILE PRESERVING OUR  
12 CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND IMPROVING THE VITALITIES OF OUR  
13 COMMUNITY, EMPHASIZING DEVELOPMENT OF OUR YOUTH. WE HOPE TO  
14 CONTINUE TO BE DESERVING OF THE HONOR YOU BESTOW ON US TODAY.  
15 THANKS VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **MUNSON KWOK:** AS I HAVE SAID, WE'VE WORKED WITH ALL OF YOU AND  
18 YOU'VE WORKED WITH ALL OF US.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M FINISHED, THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND I'M DELIGHTED  
25 TO INVITE YOU TO JOIN ME AS WE MAKE THIS PRESENTATION. PAYING



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1 CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE MATTER OF POSTPARTUM MOOD AND ANXIETY  
2 DISORDER. WE CALL THIS THE AWARENESS MONTH TO FOCUS ON THESE  
3 ISSUES. WE'RE DELIGHTED TO HAVE WITH US KIMBERLY WONG, THE  
4 FOUNDER AND CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PERINATAL MENTAL  
5 HEALTH TASKFORCE AND TANYA GOREM, DIRECTOR OF POLICY FROM L.A.  
6 BEST BABIES NETWORK, REPRESENTING THE POSTPARTUM SUPPORT  
7 INTERNATIONAL. DR. JEANETTE VALENTINE, AND DR. DIANNA LYNN  
8 BARNER, A PAST PRESIDENT OF POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL.  
9 MR. CHAIRMAN, COLLEAGUES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE LOS  
10 ANGELES COUNTY PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE WAS FORMED IN  
11 THE YEAR 2007 DEDICATED TO RAISING AWARENESS AND REMOVING  
12 STIGMAS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PERINATAL MOOD DISORDERS.  
13 POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL WAS FOUNDED IN 1987 TO  
14 PROVIDE INFORMATION AND SUPPORT FOR POSTPARTUM MOOD AND  
15 ANXIETY DISORDER THROUGH ITS GLOBAL NETWORK. LOS ANGELES  
16 COUNTY WELCOMES 150,000 NEWBORNS EACH YEAR. THEREFORE,  
17 MATERNAL HEALTH AND MORE SPECIFICALLY THE MENTAL HEALTH OF  
18 WOMEN BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER PREGNANCY IS AN ISSUE OF GREAT  
19 CONCERN. MATERNAL DEPRESSION OR OTHER PERINATAL MOOD AND  
20 ANXIETY DISORDERS AFFECT BETWEEN 10 TO 20 PERCENT OF NEW  
21 MOTHERS. AND OFTEN MENTAL ILLNESS RELATED TO CHILD BEARING IS  
22 OVERLOOKED AND HEAVILY STIGMATIZED. YOU KNOW, I THINK THIS IS  
23 REAL IMPORTANT AND WORTH EVERYBODY PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO.  
24 THIS IS A MATTER OF SIGNIFICANCE. IT AFFECTS OUR FAMILIES  
25 RATHER DIRECTLY. AND IT IS A PHENOMENON THAT IS TOO OFTEN



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1 UNATTENDED TO. AND WE OUGHT TO SALUTE THOSE WHO ARE PAYING  
2 ATTENTION TO THIS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT MATTER. IN MANY CASES,  
3 WOMEN ARE NOT ADEQUATELY INFORMED. THEY ARE NOT SCREENED. NOR  
4 ARE THEY TREATED FOR THIS DISORDER, LEAVING APPROXIMATELY 80  
5 PERCENT OF THE NEW MOTHERS UNDIAGNOSED AND UNTREATED. AND SO  
6 THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE  
7 HAS PARTNERED WITH POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL TO HOST  
8 THE 23RD ANNUAL POSTPARTUM SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE  
9 TAKING PLACE AT THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT STARTING TODAY AND  
10 MOVING THROUGH AUGUST THE SEVENTH TO BRING AWARENESS TO THESE  
11 REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUES. AND SO I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE OUR  
12 GUESTS HERE, ALL OF THEM, TO SUPPORT THEM, TO CAUSE ALL OF US  
13 TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR CHALLENGE FOR WOMEN. AND  
14 NOT JUST SIMPLY WOMEN, BUT THE CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES OF  
15 WHICH THEY ARE A PART. THEY DO IMPORTANT WORK, AND SO WE  
16 PROCLAIM TODAY, AUGUST 4, THROUGH AUGUST 7TH, 2009, AS  
17 POSTPARTUM MOOD AND ANXIETY DISORDER AWARENESS MONTH  
18 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. MR. CHAIRMAN?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I,  
21 TOO, JUST WANTED TO ADD MY CONGRATULATIONS TO KIMBERLY AND TO  
22 TONYA AND EVERYONE AT L.A. BEST BABIES FOR BRINGING FOCUS TO  
23 THIS ISSUE. A LOT OF FOLKS, AS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS  
24 INDICATED, A LOT OF FOLKS JUST DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS, AND A  
25 LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE TRIED TO TIE THIS POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION TO



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1 THE SAFE SURRENDER PROGRAM AND TRYING TO CHANGE THE LAW. I  
2 FEEL VERY STRONGLY IT'S A COMPLETELY SEPARATE ISSUE. THAT'S  
3 WHY I REALLY FEEL THAT THIS TASKFORCE IS SO IMPORTANT. AND I'M  
4 HONORED TO BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION ON THURSDAY MORNING.  
5 WE'LL GO SEE YOU OVER THERE AND TO THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WORK  
6 THAT YOU DO IN A VERY DIFFICULT SUBJECT AND ONE THAT, AS WAS  
7 MENTIONED, MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT UNLESS THEY PERSONALLY  
8 EXPERIENCE IT. SO THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WE'LL HEAR FROM  
11 THE FOUNDER OF THE TASKFORCE AND WE'LL ALSO HEAR FROM TONYA  
12 GOREM AND THEN WE'LL GO FORWARD FROM THERE. PLEASE.

13

14 **KIMBERLY WONG:** THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
15 SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR  
16 THEIR LEADERSHIP IN PRIORITIZING MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH AND  
17 WITH IT, HEALTHY INFANT AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT. AS AN ATTORNEY  
18 WITH THE L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE AND THE FOUNDER  
19 AND CHAIR OF THE PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE, I ALSO AM  
20 A SURVIVOR OF SEVERE POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION. I STAND TOGETHER  
21 WITH SEVERAL MEMBERS OF MY TASKFORCE AS WE FOCUS ON EDUCATION,  
22 SCREENING AND ACCESS TO INFORMED AND CULTURALLY COMPETENT  
23 SUPPORT SERVICES. OUR TASKFORCE IS A PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
24 PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED OF SEVERAL MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE  
25 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, DEPARTMENT





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1 OF MENTAL HEALTH, FIRST FIVE L.A., P.H.F.E. W.I.C., L.A. BEST  
2 BABIES NETWORK, U.C.L.A. AND OTHERS WITH PERINATAL MOOD  
3 DISORDER EXPERTISE AND EXPERTISE IN CHILD AND INFANT  
4 DEVELOPMENT. WE KNOW THAT AT LEAST 15 PERCENT OF ALL PREGNANT  
5 AND POSTPARTUM WOMEN WILL EXPERIENCE A CLINICAL PERINATAL MOOD  
6 DISORDER. AND IN L.A. COUNTY, THAT MEANS OUT OF 150 LIVE  
7 BIRTHS IN THE COUNTY, THAT APPROXIMATELY 22,000 WOMEN WILL  
8 EXPERIENCE SUCH A DISORDER. OUR PERINATAL MOOD DISORDERS  
9 CONFERENCE, SPONSORED BY FIRST FIVE LA., BEGINS TODAY AND GOES  
10 THROUGH AUGUST 7TH. AND IT IS THE FIRST IN THE COUNTY TO  
11 ADDRESS THIS ISSUE OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE AS THE SUPERVISOR  
12 MENTIONED, TO WOMEN, THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES. BUT  
13 IT'S ONE THAT IS TREATABLE, ABSOLUTELY, WITH INFORMED AND  
14 CULTURALLY COMPETENT SERVICES. WE ALSO WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS A  
15 SPECIAL THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR DONATING  
16 FUNDS TO VIDEO RECORD THE ENTIRE CONFERENCE SO THAT IT WILL BE  
17 AVAILABLE FOR ALL L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE, ONCE AGAIN,  
20 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL OF YOU FOR THE STELLAR WORK THAT YOU  
21 ARE DOING. DR. FIELDING, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE, AS WELL.  
22 AND MR. CHAIRMAN, IF YOU'LL JOIN ME, WE'LL MAKE THIS  
23 PRESENTATION AND DOCUMENT IT PHOTOGRAPHICALLY AND CELEBRATE  
24 THE IMPORTANT WORK THAT'S BEING DONE. [APPLAUSE.]

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NOW, MR. CHAIRMAN AND  
2    COLLEAGUES, I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE MARGARET TODD, LOS ANGELES  
3    COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIAN, AND ANNE MARIE KARLSEN, AS WELL AS  
4    LAURA ZUCKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
5    ARTS COMMISSION. THIS FOCUSES ON AN EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCE  
6    THAT WE'VE HAD IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, PARTICULARLY IN  
7    THE SECOND DISTRICT AND MORE SPECIFIC THAN THAT, IN THE CITY  
8    OF LAWNSDALE. ANNE MARIE KARLSEN IS A PROFESSIONAL ARTIST  
9    RESIDING HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS  
10   COMMISSIONED BY THE ARTS COMMISSION IN 2007 TO CREATE THE  
11   ARTWORK FOR THE NEW LAWNSDALE LIBRARY. HAVING VISITED THE  
12   LIBRARY ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION, AND MOST NOTABLY WHEN IT  
13   WAS FIRST OPENED, THAT IS THE GRAND OPENING, THERE IS NO  
14   QUESTION ABOUT THE CONTRIBUTION THAT THE ARTS HAVE MADE TO  
15   THIS WONDERFUL NEW FACILITY. HER ART GLASS WALL ENTITLED  
16   "SUBDIVISIONS" WAS INSTALLED IN THE NEW LIBRARY IN NOVEMBER OF  
17   LAST YEAR. AND PEOPLE FAR AND WIDE ARE COMING TO EXPERIENCE  
18   THIS DOCUMENTATION OF THE EXPERIENCE OF THAT COMMUNITY THROUGH  
19   ARTISTIC EXPRESSION. HER ARTWORK AT THE LIBRARY HAS RECEIVED  
20   NATIONAL RECOGNITION AS ONE OF THE MOST EXEMPLARY AND  
21   INNOVATIVE PERMANENT PUBLIC ARTWORKS CREATED AND DEBUTED IN  
22   2008 BY THE AMERICANS FOR THE ARTS, A LEADING NONPROFIT  
23   ORGANIZATION FOR ADVANCING ARTS IN THIS NATION. IT'S WITH  
24   GREAT PLEASURE THAT I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THIS  
25   SCROLL TO ANNE MARIE KARLSEN AS WE APPLAUD HER CREATIVITY AND



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1 COMMEND HER FOR HER AWARD-WINNING ARTWORK AT THE LAWNDALE  
2 LIBRARY. GIVE HER A BIG, BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, PLEASE.  
3 [APPLAUSE.] ANNE MARIE?

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5 **ANNE MARIE KARLSEN:** MY NAME IS ANNE MARIE KARLSEN, AND I'M AN  
6 ARTIST. AND IT'S A GREAT PLEASURE AND HONOR TODAY TO RECEIVE  
7 THIS AWARD. AND I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.  
8 THIS WAS A COLLABORATIVE PROJECT. AND I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO  
9 RECEIVE IT ON BEHALF OF THE L.A. COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION, THE  
10 PUBLIC LIBRARY DEPARTMENT OF L.A. COUNTY, AND ALSO THE CITY  
11 AND COMMUNITY OF LAWNDALE. I WORKED TOGETHER WITH A LOT OF  
12 PEOPLE TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS. IT WAS A COMMUNITY  
13 PARTICIPATION. I USED HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPHS FROM THE COMMUNITY  
14 OF LAWNDALE AND WORKED WITH THEIR HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO  
15 INCORPORATE THIS INTO A VIBRANT NEW ARTWORK FOR THE LIBRARY. I  
16 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR SUPPORT  
17 OF PUBLIC ART PROGRAMS, IN PARTICULAR THE CIVIC ART PROGRAM,  
18 BECAUSE I THINK IT'S A TESTAMENT TO THE CAPACITY OF ART TO  
19 ENRICH PEOPLE'S LIVES. THIS IS A LEGACY THAT WE'VE GIVEN TO  
20 THE COMMUNITY AND WILL BE THERE FOR MANY, MANY GENERATIONS TO  
21 COME. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS HONOR. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DID YOU INTRODUCE THAT YOUNG MAN?

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1 **ANNE MARIE KARLSEN:** THIS IS MY SON TWAR. AND HE DOESN'T LIKE  
2 ME TO SAY THIS, BUT IN EVERY ARTWORK THAT I DO, I PUT HIS NAME  
3 IN THE ARTWORK IN A LITTLE SECRET PLACE. SO I ALWAYS LIKE TO  
4 HAVE HIM WITH ME ON THESE OCCASIONS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. GO, TWAR! (APPLAUSE.)

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD LIKE TO ASK OUR PUBLIC HEALTH  
9 DIRECTOR, DR. JONATHAN FIELDING, TO JOIN ME ALONG WITH ANGIE  
10 TOYOTA, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDHOOD LEAD PREVENTION  
11 PROGRAM AND AS WELL AS ASK THE WINNERS OF OUR 2009 LEAD  
12 AWARENESS ART CONTEST. WE HAD THE GOOD FORTUNE UPSTAIRS TO  
13 PRESENT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR CERTIFICATES IN  
14 RECOGNITION OF THEIR WINNING DRAWINGS AND THEIR MESSAGES ABOUT  
15 CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING. AS PART, THIS PROGRAM WAS REALLY  
16 DESIGNED TO EDUCATE PARENTS AND TEACHERS AND STUDENTS BY  
17 PROMOTING AWARENESS ON LEAD POISONING, AND PARTICULARLY LEAD  
18 POISONING AS IT RELATES TO LEAD POISONING PREVENTION IN  
19 CHILDREN. AS PART OF THE PROGRAM'S OUTREACH, A LEAD AWARENESS  
20 ART CONTEST WAS HELD AT SCHOOLS THAT ARE IN HIGH RISK AREAS  
21 FOR LEAD POISONING. HERE WITH US TODAY, AS I MENTIONED, ARE  
22 OUR AWARD WINNERS AND SPONSORED BY THE CHILDHOOD LEAD  
23 POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM. AS I SAID EARLIER TODAY WE GAVE  
24 THEM THEIR CERTIFICATES, BUT ALSO A VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO  
25 ANGIE TOYOTA, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR FOR OVERSEEING THIS VERY



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1    IMPORTANT PROGRAM. HOW ABOUT A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR ALL  
2    OUR AWARD WINNERS UP HERE? [APPLAUSE.] ANGIE AND THEN DR.  
3    FIELDING.

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5    **ANGIE TOYOTA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND THE MEMBERS OF  
6    THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING OUR WONDERFUL PROGRAM  
7    THAT WE HAVE, OUR SCHOOL OUTREACH PROGRAM WE HAVE ANNUALLY  
8    SINCE EARLY 1990S. AND WHILE LEAD POISONING IS TRULY  
9    PREVENTABLE, AND THOUGH WE'VE MADE TREMENDOUS STRIDES OVER THE  
10    YEARS, LAST YEAR WE HAD REPORTED 90 CHILDREN WHO HAVE ELEVATED  
11    BLOOD LEAD LEVELS ABOVE THE C.D.C. LEVEL OF CONCERN. SO WE  
12    STILL HAVE MUCH MORE WORK TO DO. AND THROUGH THIS SCHOOL  
13    OUTREACH PROGRAM, WE AIM TO EDUCATE CHILDREN AND THEIR  
14    FAMILIES ON IDENTIFYING LEAD SOURCES AND ALSO PREVENTING LEAD  
15    POISONING. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE DEDICATED  
16    TEACHERS, SOME WHO ARE IN THE AUDIENCE, WHO TAKE TIME OUT TO  
17    INCORPORATE THE CURRICULUM THAT WE HAVE INTO THEIR BUSY, BUSY  
18    SCHOOL SCHEDULES. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND WE HOPE THAT THE  
19    SCHOOLS WILL CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PROGRAM AND OTHER  
20    SCHOOLS JOIN IN, AS WELL. AND I HOPE THEY FIND THAT THE  
21    CURRICULUM AND THE PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE, COUPLED WITH THE  
22    CHILDREN'S EXPRESSION OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE THROUGH ART, ENRICHES  
23    LIVES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. SO LET ME ANNOUNCE THE WINNERS OF  
24    THE 2009 ART CONTEST WINNERS. THE KINDERGARTEN GRADE LEVEL,  
25    JENNA YUNE FROM TOPEKA DRIVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN NORTHRIDGE.



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1 IN FIRST GRADE, ALEXANDER ENTREPIDO FROM PRECIOUS BLOOD LOS  
2 ANGELES. AND IN SECOND GRADE, NATALIE IBARRA, FROM MONTAGUE  
3 CHARTER SCHOOL IN PACOIMA. AND IN FIFTH GRADE FAITH BALTIERRO,  
4 MONTE VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN POMONA. AND ALSO FROM MONTE  
5 VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL POMONA, JORGE CORDOVA IN SIXTH GRADE.  
6 TENTH GRADE, BRYANT TECOTO, FROM SANTANA HIGH SCHOOL PARENT  
7 AND TEEN PROGRAM IN ROLAND HEIGHTS. VANESSA ARAGONS FROM  
8 SANTANA HIGH SCHOOL, AS WELL. AND THE CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT  
9 PRESENT, ISAIAH HONG FROM CASTLE BAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN  
10 NORTHRIDGE. ISAAC SANDOVAL, 109TH STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN  
11 LOS ANGELES, SUSANNAH MARTINEZ FROM SANTANA HIGH SCHOOL IN  
12 ROLAND HEIGHTS, AND LISETTE ANSU FROM SANTANA HIGH SCHOOL FROM  
13 ROLAND HEIGHTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** IS LEAD POISONING A PROBLEM OF THE  
16 PAST? THE ANSWER IS NO. THERE WERE OVER 900 KIDS LAST YEAR  
17 THAT HAD AN ELEVATED LEAD LEVEL AND LEAD POISONING CAN DAMAGE  
18 A GROWING CHILD'S BRAIN AND NERVOUS SYSTEM. AND IT'S  
19 PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS FOR KIDS UNDER AGE SIX BECAUSE THEIR  
20 RAPIDLY GROWING AND DEVELOPING BODIES, PARTICULARLY THEIR  
21 BRAINS, ABSORB MORE LEAD THAN ADULTS. EARLY CHILDHOOD LEAD  
22 EXPOSURE HAS BEEN LINKED TO A DROP IN I.Q. POINTS, TO SHORT  
23 ATTENTION SPAN, AND AN INCREASED RISK OF ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOR,  
24 AS WELL AS A BUNCH OF OTHER HEALTH PROBLEMS. SO IT'S IMPORTANT  
25 TO KNOW THAT THIS PROBLEM IS ENTIRELY PREVENTABLE. OUR





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1 DEPARTMENT'S CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM UNDER  
2 ANGIE TOYOTA'S LEADERSHIP IS WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES ACROSS  
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY ON THIS PROBLEM. AND, REMEMBER, THAT THE  
4 PAINT BEFORE 1978 HAD LEAD IN IT. SO IF YOU'RE IN A HOUSING  
5 DEVELOPMENT OR IN HOUSING, IN A HOUSE THAT HAS PAINT BEFORE  
6 THAT PERIOD, THAT'S A PRIMARY RISK FACTOR AND YOU NEED TO JUST  
7 MAKE SURE THAT CHILDREN ARE BEING TESTED AND THAT THE  
8 ENVIRONMENTAL APPROACHES ARE IN FACT KEEPING THEM FROM GETTING  
9 EXPOSED. SO ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, I  
10 WANT TO THANK ALL OF THESE WONDERFUL CHILDREN WHO HAVE DONE AN  
11 OUTSTANDING JOB AND ALL OF THOSE OTHER CONTESTANTS WHO DIDN'T  
12 WIN, BUT FOR WHOM THERE IS HOPE FOR NEXT YEAR. I ALSO WANT TO  
13 THANK, OF COURSE, SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR RECOGNIZING THESE  
14 CHILDREN IN THE SPECIAL PRESENTATION THAT WENT THIS MORNING.  
15 SO, TOGETHER, THIS IS AN ENTIRELY PREVENTABLE PROBLEM. LET'S  
16 NOT ROB OUR KIDS OF I.Q. POINTS BY NEGLECTING IT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE I DO THE SCROLL PRESENTATION, IF  
19 THE TEACHERS WOULD STAND UP? WHERE ARE THE TEACHERS? THE  
20 TEACHERS WHO ARE OUT THERE, PLEASE STAND UP. LET'S RECOGNIZE  
21 YOU. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] AND ALSO THE PARENTS. THE MOMS AND  
22 DADS, AUNTS AND UNCLES, GRANDMAS AND GRANDPAS THAT ARE HERE  
23 TODAY. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] WE'LL DO A PHOTO HERE WITH THE  
24 KIDS. AND JONATHAN AND EVERYBODY? WE'LL HAVE SORT OF A TEAM  
25 PHOTO HERE WITH EVERYBODY. CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. THANK



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1 YOU, SUPERVISOR. CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. HAVE A FUN  
2 SUMMER. NOT MUCH LEFT, HUH?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ANTONOVICH, BEFORE I CALL  
5 ON YOU, FIRST IT'S BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT WE HAVE A  
6 FEW ITEMS THAT HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM HOLD THAT WE CAN TAKE  
7 ACTION UPON, IS THAT CORRECT?

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
10 THERE ARE A COUPLE OF ITEMS THAT THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
11 RELEASED HER HOLD ON. SO IF WE COULD GET APPROVAL ON ITEMS 1-  
12 D, 2-D, 4-D-- NO, EXCUSE ME, I'M SORRY, NOT 4-D. ITEM NO. 3  
13 AND ITEM NO. 32.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. LET'S TAKE 1-D AND 2-D FIRST.  
16 OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
17 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THE NEXT IS ITEM,  
18 WHAT? THREE 3.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 3.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEM NO. 3, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
23 MOLINA -- EXCUSE ME. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL  
24 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THEN ITEM NO. 32.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 32? MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
4 YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
5 ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU ARE  
8 FIRST ON SPECIALS.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE  
11 THE FOLLOWING MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS. RON CARTER, THE ANTELOPE  
12 VALLEY, HE WAS A FOURTH GENERATION LANCASTER BUSINESSMAN.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (OFF MIC COMMENTS).

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RON PASSED AWAY FROM CANCER. HE WAS A STRONG  
17 SURVIVOR, STRONG FIGHTER. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF VISITING  
18 WITH HIM RECENTLY. AND HE SPENT MORE THAN FIVE DECADES OF  
19 LEADERSHIP ROLES IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AS A MEMBER OF THE  
20 ANTELOPE LANCASTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, HE WAS THE DIRECTOR OF  
21 THE VALLEY FAIR, A MEMBER OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE  
22 FOUNDATION, AND WAS INVOLVED WITH BRINGING NEW JOBS AND  
23 INDUSTRY TO THE VALLEY, THE PROMOTION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF  
24 THE PALMDALE AIRPORT. AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF HIS FAMILY, HE  
25 MANAGED RADIO STATIONS, THE TRANSIT COMPANY, A HOME APPLIANCE



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1 STORE, REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS AND ANTELOPE VALLEY SAVINGS AND  
2 LOAN ASSOCIATION. A REAL TRUE COMMUNITY LEADER. AUDREY  
3 MCCASKEY, PASSED AWAY ON JULY 27TH. SHE WAS THE WIFE OF  
4 INTERNAL SERVICES EMPLOYEE TURNER MCCASKY, KNOWN AS MR. T, WHO  
5 FOR A LONG TIME HAS TAKEN CARE OF MY OFFICES AND MANY OF US ON  
6 THE EIGHTH FLOOR IN THE EVENING. LINDSAY LYNELLE NAVA. SHE WAS  
7 THE DAUGHTER OF NASCAR WEST CAR OWNER JOE NAVA, WHO GREW UP IN  
8 GLENDORA, WAS AN ASPIRING YOUNG ACTRESS, TAKING ACTING AND  
9 DRAMA COURSES AT LONG BEACH STATE UNIVERSITY, AND APPEARED ON  
10 THE "90210," "AN AMERICAN TEENAGER" AND "THE OFFICE" PROGRAMS  
11 AND SHE WAS ACTIVE IN GRACE CHURCH IN GLENDORA. ROBERT CONNER,  
12 MEMBER OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES SINCE 1971. CONTINUED TO  
13 PARTICIPATE IN THE TOURNAMENT AS A MEMBER OF THE AUXILIARY  
14 COMMITTEE. RICHARD GILL, RETIRED LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY  
15 SHERIFF. ERROL JAY VAN HORNE, ALSO RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE  
16 VALLEY, 32 YEARS IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
17 DEPARTMENT, RETIRED AS A CAPTAIN, WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE  
18 CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND THE CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON  
19 IN L.A. COUNTY. LINDA MENK, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE VALLEY.  
20 ALSO A GRADUATE OF PALMDALE HIGH SCHOOL. KEVIN ANTHONY FARLEY,  
21 A GRADUATE PALMDALE HIGH SCHOOL, WORKED IN THE CONSTRUCTION  
22 AND CARPENTRY BUSINESS. HORACE "BUD" AVEN. HE WAS A LONGTIME  
23 RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF SAN  
24 DIEGO STATE. AND THEN RETURNED TO LANCASTER WHERE HE WORKED  
25 FOR AVEN FURNITURE COMPANY. AND IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY



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1 WHERE HE WAS DRAFTED, HE WENT TO COUNTER INTELLIGENCE SCHOOL  
2 AND WAS STATIONED IN GERMANY AS A JUNIOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICE  
3 OFFICER. AND JACQUELINE CROUCH-AVERY, SHE WORKED FOR THE  
4 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY AS A LIBRARY PAGE AND  
5 SOON WAS PROMOTED TO LIBRARY AIDE AT THE QUARTZ HILL LIBRARY.  
6 WAS VERY ACTIVE IN COMPLETING HER COLLEGE DEGREE WHILE RAISING  
7 TWO TEENAGE DAUGHTERS. SO I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN FOR THOSE  
8 INDIVIDUALS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND LET ME CALL UP NO. 1-H. IF WE COULD HAVE  
13 THE DIRECTOR OF C.D.C.?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 1-H, MR. ROGAN HERE? MR.  
16 ANTONOVICH, DO YOU WANT TO ASK YOUR QUESTION? I HAVE PUBLIC  
17 SIGNED UP. DO YOU WANT TO DO THAT FIRST? GO AHEAD.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK THE QUESTIONS. MR. ROGAN, DOES THE  
20 C.D.C. PERFORM BACKGROUND CHECKS ON ALL SECTION 8 TENANTS?

21

22 **SEAN ROGAN:** YES.

23



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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DO YOU PERFORM OUR OWN C.D.C. BACKGROUND  
2   CHECKS ON TENANTS WHO POUR IN FROM OTHER I JURISDICTIONS, LIKE  
3   THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.

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5   **SEAN ROGAN:** YES, WE DO.

6

7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE  
8   COMPLIANCE SECTION?

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10   **SEAN ROGAN:** THE CURRENT BUDGET IS \$1.6 MILLION.

11

12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MUCH IS THAT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?

13

14   **SEAN ROGAN:** AT THIS POINT IN TIME WE'RE BUDGETING ABOUT  
15   \$475,000 FROM HUD. AND THEN WE TYPICALLY MAKE UP THE  
16   DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF THE DOLLAR AMOUNTS THAT ARE RECOVERED  
17   BY FRAUD AND THROUGH FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS, WHICH LAST YEAR WAS  
18   ABOUT 272,000.

19

20   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT ARE YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES FROM  
21   OUR INDIVIDUAL CITIES, BOARD OFFICES THAT PAY FOR ADDITIONAL  
22   RESOURCES?

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24   **SEAN ROGAN:** YES. RIGHT NOW WE RECEIVE ABOUT \$420,000 FROM THE  
25   CITIES AND COUNTIES, AND ABOUT \$45,000 FROM U.S. D.O.G. SO





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1 THOSE RESOURCES COME FROM YOUR BOARD OFFICE, FOR EXAMPLE, AND  
2 THE CITY OF LANCASTER AND PALMDALE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW BOARD OFFICES AND CITIES LIKE LANCASTER  
5 AND PALMDALE ARE UNABLE TO PAY FOR THE ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT  
6 INDEFINITELY. SO HOW WOULD YOU PAY FOR THE ENFORCEMENT IN THE  
7 EVENT THAT SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING WOULD BE PHASED OUT?

8

9 **SEAN ROGAN:** WE'RE ACTUALLY LOOKING AT A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT  
10 OPTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR US. FOR EXAMPLE, WE'RE LOOKING  
11 TO CONTRACT WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS IT RELATES TO  
12 THOSE AREAS THAT THEY COVER SO THAT WE CAN CROSS-CHECK  
13 VOUCHERS WITH CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS  
14 PROVEN TO BE VERY EFFECTIVE AS IT RELATES TO WHAT WE DO IN THE  
15 PUBLIC HOUSING SIDE. WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT HOW BEST TO  
16 ESTABLISH A PROTOCOL TO THEN PROVIDE FOR INVESTIGATIONS SO  
17 THAT STAFF IS MOST EFFICIENT IN TERMS OF PROVIDING PROACTIVE  
18 ENFORCEMENT. AND WE'RE CONTINUING TO LOOK AT OUR BUDGET TO  
19 MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THE PROPER STAFFING IN PLACE TO PROVIDE  
20 PROGRAM INTEGRITY AS WELL AS PROACTIVE ENFORCEMENT. SO WE'RE  
21 GOING TO LOOK AT A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT TOOLS, NOT JUST ON THE  
22 STAFFING SIDE, BUT THINGS THAT WE CAN DO IN-HOUSE IN TERMS OF  
23 CONTRACTING WITH THE SHERIFF AS WELL AS THINGS THAT WE MIGHT  
24 BE ABLE TO DO THROUGH THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE PAST, MY OFFICE HAD BEEN TOLD THAT  
2   C.D.C. COULD NOT TERMINATE A LANDLORD FROM THE PROGRAM, IS  
3   THAT CORRECT?

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5   **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S ACTUALLY INCORRECT. WE HAVE WITH OWNERS A  
6   CONTRACT SIMILAR TO CONTRACTS THAT WE HAVE WITH TENANTS. AND  
7   ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RULES AND REQUIREMENTS, AN OWNER CAN BE  
8   TERMINATED.

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10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT ARE THE PROCEDURES NECESSARY TO  
11   TERMINATE A LANDLORD?

12

13   **SEAN ROGAN:** YOU KNOW, THE PROCEDURES ARE GOING TO VARY BASED  
14   ON THE OFFENSE. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, IF A UNIT FAILS A HOUSING  
15   QUALITY STANDARD INSPECTION, THE LANDLORD IS TYPICALLY GIVEN A  
16   30-DAY NOTICE TO CORRECT. WE ALSO DISCONTINUE PAYING THEIR  
17   H.A.P. ASSISTANCE. AND IF THEY DON'T CORRECT WITHIN 30 DAYS,  
18   THEY WOULD THEN BE TERMINATED. IF, FOR EXAMPLE, WE FIND THAT  
19   FRAUD IS BEING COMMITTED BY A LANDLORD, THEN WHAT WE DO IS WE  
20   DO THE PROPER INVESTIGATION AND ESTABLISH THAT FRAUD HAS BEEN  
21   COMMITTED. WE THEN TERMINATE THE CONTRACT WITH THE OWNER. AND  
22   THEN WE LOOK TO GO AFTER THE OWNER FOR ANY MONIES THAT MAY  
23   HAVE BEEN EXPENDED FRAUDULENTLY.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD YOU REPORT BACK IN A COUPLE WEEKS ON  
2   HOW YOU WOULD RECOMMEND TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF PROBLEM  
3   LANDLORDS? BECAUSE I KNOW WE'VE HAD SOME IN THE VALLEY.

4

5   **SEAN ROGAN:** CERTAINLY WE CAN PUT TOGETHER SOME OF THE THINGS  
6   WE'RE LOOKING AT. THERE ARE ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES THAT WE'RE  
7   LOOKING AT AS IT RELATES TO LANDLORDS. THERE ARE CHANGES THAT  
8   WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO MAKE IN TERMS OF THE LANDLORD H.A.P.  
9   CONTRACT. AND WE'RE WORKING WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ON SOME OF  
10   THOSE ISSUES RIGHT NOW. SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS, GIVE ME  
11   ABOUT 30 DAYS SO THAT I CAN CONTINUE TO WORK WITH COUNTY  
12   COUNSEL AND STAFF SO THAT WHEN I COME BACK, I CAN GIVE YOU A  
13   REPORT OF SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE GOING TO LOOK TO  
14   IMPLEMENT.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN DOCUMENTED, CRIME-RIDDEN NEIGHBORHOODS,  
17   CAN C.D.C. DENY LANDLORD REQUESTS TO ESTABLISH NEW SECTION 8  
18   RESIDENCES IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD?

19

20   **SEAN ROGAN:** THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS JUST RECENTLY COME  
21   UNDER DISCUSSION WITH MY STAFF. THE SHORT ANSWER IS WE CAN'T  
22   NECESSARILY PROVIDE A MORATORIUM IN TERMS OF CRIME-RIDDEN  
23   AREAS, BUT WE ARE LOOKING AT HOW BEST TO ADJUST OUR  
24   ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY. WE'RE LOOKING AT HOW BEST TO WORK WITH  
25   HUD. AND THEN WE'RE LOOKING TO IMPLEMENT SOME TYPE OF POLICY



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1 AND PROCEDURE THAT WOULD DISALLOW A NEW VOUCHER, FOR EXAMPLE,  
2 IN AN AREA OR A COMPLEX HIGH IN CRIME. I THINK EVERYONE WOULD  
3 AGREE THAT IF YOU HAD AN APARTMENT COMPLEX, FOR EXAMPLE, WHERE  
4 THERE WAS A HIGH DEGREE OF DRUG DEALING, A HIGH DEGREE OF GANG  
5 ACTIVITY, A HIGH DEGREE OF OTHER TYPE OF CRIME, THAT YOU WOULD  
6 NOT WANT TO ISSUE A NEW VOUCHER TO THAT COMPLEX. SO WHAT WE  
7 NEED TO DO IS TAKE A LOOK AT THE DETAIL THAT IS REQUIRED TO  
8 ESTABLISHING THOSE AREAS AND THEN ADJUST OUR POLICY  
9 ACCORDINGLY.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE YOU PROVIDED THE CITIES OF LANCASTER AND  
12 PALMDALE WITH THE LIST OF ALL SECTION 8 VOUCHER HOLDERS  
13 RESIDING IN THEIR RESPECTIVE CITIES?

14

15 **SEAN ROGAN:** YES, WE HAVE.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HAS C.D.C. SENT THOSE LANDLORDS A LETTER  
18 REMINDING THEM OF THE OBLIGATION TO SECURE BUSINESS LICENSES  
19 FROM THE CITIES THEY OPERATE IN?

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21 **SEAN ROGAN:** WE HAVE FOR ONE OF THE CITIES AND WE'RE GETTING  
22 READY TO DO IT FOR BOTH.

23



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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND AS THE MANAGER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY,  
2   HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE COMPLIANCE-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE  
3   AGENCY'S ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN?

4

5   **SEAN ROGAN:** IT'S A CONTINUOUS REVIEW. SO THE ANSWER IS I HAVE  
6   BEGUN TO REVIEW POLICIES. I HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED A DIRECTIVE  
7   TO STAFF THAT WE NOT ONLY ENFORCE OUR CONTRACTS WITH TENANTS  
8   BUT WE ALSO ENFORCE OUR CONTRACTS WITH LANDLORDS. AND WE  
9   CERTAINLY HAVE BEGUN THAT SHIFT IN ATTITUDE IN TERMS OF  
10   LOOKING AT PROGRAM INTEGRITY AND ENFORCEMENT.

11

12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. ANY CHANGES YOU BRING BEFORE BEFORE THE  
13   BOARD WITH RECOMMENDATIONS?

14

15   **SEAN ROGAN:** THERE WILL BE CHANGES THAT WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN  
16   TERMS OF A NUMBER OF ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES, NOT ONLY ON THE  
17   ENFORCEMENT SIDE BUT ALSO OTHER ITEMS THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO  
18   TO BETTER PROVIDE FOR PROGRAM INTEGRITY AND COMPLIANCE.

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20   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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22   **SEAN ROGAN:** THANK YOU.

23



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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. WE HAD A MEMBER OF THE  
2    PUBLIC. I BELIEVE WE HAVE A LANCASTER HOOKUP, IF I'M CORRECT,  
3    ON ITEM 1-H. NICOLE PARSON?

4

5    **NICOLE PARSON:** YES, HI, HELLO. I'M COMPLETELY OPPOSED TO 1-H  
6    AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE C.D.C. FOR THIS PROGRAM IN WHICH  
7    I CREATE IT. AND HE'S TOTALLY CHANGING, I MEAN THE DEPARTMENT  
8    IS TOTALLY CHANGING EVERYTHING ABOUT IT. AND THEY'RE ROBBING  
9    HEARTS. THEY'RE ROBBING THE HEART OF THE CITIZENS THAT ARE THE  
10    RECIPIENTS OF SECTION 8. BECAUSE HOPE 6 WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THE  
11    HEART OF SECTION 8. AND FOR WHAT YOU ALL KNOW, THE SENATE IS  
12    IN SESSION WITH THE SUBCOMMITTEE RIGHT NOW DISCUSSING THE  
13    AWARD FEES AND THE BEST REMEDIES. AND SO I ASK AT LEAST FOR  
14    TWO WEEKS OR AS LONG AS UNTIL THEY COME WITH RULES, I DON'T  
15    WANT MY PROGRAM IMPLEMENTED. AND ESPECIALLY I'M NOT EVEN ON  
16    THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD. I DON'T -- OKAY. AND IN SO MANY  
17    INSTANCES I'VE CALLED THE POLICE. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,  
18    LIKE 20 TIMES. OKAY, THEY DON'T COME. THEY'RE NOT ON -- I  
19    DON'T KNOW, THE CITIZENS SIDE, MY SITE, YOU GUYS TOTALLY  
20    CANNOT DO THIS PROGRAM UNTIL WE GET SOME STUFF SETTLED. HOW  
21    DID MR. MAYOR ASK, HOW, PLEASE. I JUST, HOW DID MY CHILD, WHEN  
22    MY CHILD WAS TAKEN, I WAS SO HAPPY THAT I HAD SUBMITTED THIS  
23    THING FOR HOPE, FOR HOUSING AND THE SOCIAL WORKER HE ASKED.  
24    AND I WAS SO HAPPY. AND MY CHILD GETS TAKEN AWAY FOR THIS? AND  
25    I MEAN, HOW MUCH MORE DO I HAVE TO ENDURE? THE HOUSING





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1    AUTHORITIES, THEY NEVER GAVE US RELOCATION. AND I MEAN, WAS  
2    THIS PART IS GOOD AND YOU GUYS ARE ADDING LEGAL REPRESENTATION  
3    AND THAT'S GOOD. BUT, OKAY, AND THEN MR. ANTONOVICH'S ANIMAL  
4    SHELTER, OUR ANIMAL SHELTER. I WAS GOING TO ASK IF YOU GUYS  
5    COULD DO THE PILOT PROGRAM TO REDUCE THE RATES FOR WITHIN THE,  
6    UNDER THE SOCIAL WELFARE PROVISION. AND YOU'RE RAISING THE  
7    RATES AFTER THE GRANT MONEY TO EXPAND AND ADMINISTER THE  
8    PROGRAM? YOU GAVE THEM MONEY, NOW THEY'RE RAISING THE RATES.  
9    MY DOG, SADIE, DIED ON SEPTEMBER 8TH WHEN I CALLED YOUR  
10   OFFICE, MR. ANTONOVICH. AND IT WAS RELATED TO BEING A PIT  
11   BULL. AND I SAID I CAN'T AFFORD, I GOT TWO DOGS OUT, \$256 FOR  
12   ONE DOG. AND HE WAS A PIT BULL. SADIE WASN'T, EITHER.

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14   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU. MOVED BY  
15   SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.  
16   WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 2.

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20   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON A SECOND.

21

22   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE WAS NOTHING PRESENTED TO US. MR.  
23   ROGAN, ARE YOU STILL BACK THERE, PLEASE? CAN YOU COME UP.

24



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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ASK SEAN ROGAN TO COME BACK? I THOUGHT YOU  
2   WERE GOING TO MAKE A CORRECTION TO THIS.

3

4   **SEAN ROGAN:** I'M SORRY. COULD YOU REPEAT THE QUESTION PLEASE?

5

6   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO MAKE A  
7   CORRECTION TO THIS ITEM. CAN WE HOLD THIS ON THE DESK?

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9   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVE RECONSIDERATION.

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11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MOVED.

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13   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CHAIR WILL SECOND. AND WE'LL PUT IT ON  
14   THE TABLE.

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16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 2, I HAVE AN AMENDMENT COAUTHORED BY  
17   MR. YAROSLAVSKY. "THE WELFARE AND OVERALL WELL-BEING OF  
18   CHILDREN, FIRST AND FOREMOST RESPONSIBILITY OF BOTH PARENTS.  
19   WHEN BIRTH PARENTS ENDANGER THEIR CHILDREN, CHILD WELFARE MUST  
20   BECOME THE SHARED RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS,  
21   NONCOUNTY AGENCIES, AND COMMUNITY-BASED PARTNERS SERVING THOSE  
22   FAMILIES. THROUGH MOTIONS ON JUNE 24TH, 2008, MAY 26TH, 2009,  
23   JUNE 30TH, 2009, UNANIMOUSLY THE BOARD DIRECTED THE C.E.O. TO  
24   PROGRESSIVELY EXPAND, ENHANCE AND ASSURE FULL UTILIZATION OF  
25   THE COUNTY'S FAMILY AND CHILD INDEX, F.C.I., A CENTRALIZED



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1 DATABASE THAT TIES TOGETHER BASIC DATA ABOUT FAMILIES AND  
2 CHILDREN THROUGH RELEVANT CONTACT WITH PARTICIPATING PUBLIC  
3 AGENCIES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS AT-RISK FOR ABUSE AND  
4 NEGLECT. HOWEVER, CONSISTENT SPECIALIZED MEDICAL MENTAL HEALTH  
5 ASSESSMENTS OF CERTAIN AT-RISK CHILDREN AND FAMILIES MUST ALSO  
6 OCCUR TO ADEQUATELY IDENTIFY AND PREVENT CHILD ENDANGERMENT  
7 AND/OR DEATH. TWO RECENT CHILD FATALITIES HAVE RAISED AMONG  
8 OTHER ISSUES SIGNIFICANT CONCERNS ABOUT WHETHER CHILDREN UNDER  
9 INVESTIGATION FOR SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE ARE BEING ASSESSED  
10 CONSISTENTLY BY MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. IN  
11 MANY INSTANCES, THE CHILD'S FAMILY CHOOSES THE LOCAL MEDICAL  
12 OR MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL, WHO WILL PROVIDE AN EXPERT  
13 OPINION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES  
14 DURING THE EARLY STAGES OF A CHILD'S ABUSE INVESTIGATION.  
15 THESE CLINICIANS MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE THE NECESSARY EXPERIENCE  
16 OR EXPERTISE IN INTERVIEWING ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN OR  
17 IN DETECTING THE CHILD ABUSE PROPENSITIES OF THE PARENTS OR  
18 CAREGIVERS WITH WHOM THE CHILD REMAINS DURING THE COURSE OF  
19 THE INVESTIGATION. CURRENTLY WITHIN THE COUNTY'S NETWORK OF  
20 COUNTY-RUN MEDICAL HUBS, FORENSICALLY TRAINED DOCTORS ASSESS  
21 THE MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF CHILDREN NEWLY DETAINED  
22 FROM THEIR BIRTH PARENTS FOR SUBSTANTIATED ABUSE AND NEGLECT.  
23 THE RECENT TRAGEDIES REVEAL THE NEED TO EXPAND THE CRITERIA  
24 FOR MEDICAL HUB ASSESSMENT TO INCLUDE A SELECT NUMBER OF  
25 CHILDREN WHO REMAIN IN THE HOMES OF THEIR BIRTH PARENTS WHILE



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1 A CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATION IS UNDERWAY. THIS WILL ALLOW  
2 FORENSICALLY TRAINED CHILD ABUSE EXPERTS TO ASSESS THE FAMILY  
3 HOLISTICALLY IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD. SO WE WOULD  
4 THEREFORE AMEND THE MOTION TO MOVE THAT IN ADDITION TO THE  
5 PILOT TO BE ADMINISTERED AT THE L.A.C.+U.S.C. EAST OF THE SAN  
6 GABRIEL VALLEY MEDICAL HUB AS PROPOSED IN TODAY'S BOARD AGENDA  
7 ITEM 2, THE BOARD ALSO DIRECT THE C.E.O. IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
8 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, HEALTH AND  
9 MENTAL HEALTH TO REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS WHETHER AN EXPANSION  
10 OF MEDICAL HUB CAPACITY COUNTYWIDE TO ACCOMMODATE THE  
11 ASSESSMENT OF THE SPECIFIC NON-DETAINED CHILDREN MEETS THE  
12 CRITERIA FOR KATIE A. FUNDING. IF SO, THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
13 POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND STANDARDIZED CRITERIA TO IDENTIFY THE  
14 NON-DETAINED CHILDREN, INCLUDING THOSE IN EARLY CHILD ABUSE  
15 INVESTIGATION STAGE WHO SHOULD RECEIVE FORENSIC MEDAL AND  
16 MEDICAL HEALTH ASSESSMENTS THROUGH MEDICAL HUBS. AND THREE,  
17 THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PROTOCOL AND PROCESS BY WHICH COUNTY  
18 CONTRACTED HEALTH CLINICS CAN REFER REQUESTS FOR FORENSIC  
19 CHILD ABUSE EXAMINATIONS TO THE MEDICAL HUBS."

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, CAN I ASK YOUR INDULGENCE?

22  
23 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL OF THIS UNDER ITEM 2 SINCE A LOT OF  
24 COLLABORATIVE KIND OF TESTIMONY.



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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, CAN I JUST INTERJECT? WE CAN  
4    TAKE CARE OF ITEM 1-H IN ABOUT TEN SECONDS.

5

6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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8    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND LET SEAN GO. MR. ROGAN?

9

10   **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, SEPARATE FROM THIS?

11

12   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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14   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SEAN, DO YOU WANT TO JUST READ IN THAT  
15   CLAUSE?

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17   **SEAN ROGAN:** HI, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. AS IT RELATES TO THE  
18   RESOLUTION, I WOULD LIKE TO AMEND SOME LANGUAGE UNDER  
19   PARAGRAPH 2, SUBSECTION A. STARTING WITH THE SENTENCE "THE  
20   HOUSING AUTHORITY IS REQUIRED TO DENY ADMISSION TO THE  
21   APPLICANT OR ANY HOUSEHOLD MEMBER EVICTED FROM PUBLIC HOUSING,  
22   INDIAN HOUSING, SECTION 23, OR ANY FEDERALLY-ASSISTED HOUSING  
23   PROGRAM BECAUSE OF A DRUG-RELATED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY FOR A  
24   THREE-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING ON THE DATE OF" AND THIS IS WHERE  
25   THE CHANGE IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE, "OF SUCH EVICTION." SO



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1 WE'RE GOING TO ADD THE WORD EVICTION. AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO  
2 INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE, "HOWEVER, THE HOUSING  
3 AUTHORITY MAY WAIVE THE THREE-YEAR PROBATION." AND THEN THAT  
4 WILL THEN CONCLUDE WITH PERIOD. "IF THE PERSON WHO COMMITTED  
5 THE DRUG-RELATED CRIME" ET CETERA, ET CETERA. SO WHAT WE ARE  
6 GOING TO DO IS AGAIN GO TO THE BEGINNING OF THE DATE OF SUCH  
7 EVICTION AND THEN INCLUDE THE SENTENCE "HOWEVER, THE HOUSING  
8 AUTHORITY MAY WAIVE THE THREE-YEAR PROBATION." AND THEN IT  
9 WILL INCLUDE WITH A PERIOD.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU CAN GIVE A COPY OF IT TO THE CLERK. THIS  
12 IS NOT A SUBSTAN-- THIS IS JUST TO RESOLVE WHAT WAS A  
13 CONTRADICTORY THING.

14

15 **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT IS CORRECT. THIS PROVIDES CLARITY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT WAS JUST AN ERROR ON THEIR PART. I WANTED  
18 TO MAKE SURE I GOT THAT IN. SO I MOVE IT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THAT MOVED, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
21 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA,  
22 BACK TO ITEM 2.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. I WAS WONDERING, BECAUSE ON THIS ISSUE  
25 OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES, IF WE COULD HANDLE IT ALL TOGETHER, I





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1 THINK IT WOULD BE REALLY WORTHWHILE. I APPLAUD SUPERVISOR  
2 ANTONOVICH AND YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION ON THIS. I THINK THIS IS  
3 REALLY TAKING US TO A MORE COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH AS TO HOW TO  
4 ADDRESS SOME OF THESE ISSUES. SO I DON'T KNOW HOW WE WANT TO  
5 BEGIN. I HAVE A MOTION ON THIS, AS WELL.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SEPARATE THAN WHAT'S ON THE TABLE?

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, THIS IS ONE MOTION. BUT THE REASON IS, IT  
10 COMPLIMENTS WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE. WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING --  
11 MY MOTION BASICALLY BEGINS THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO MAKE SURE  
12 THAT WE'RE GETTING A REPORT BACK ON HOW WE'RE GOING TO GET  
13 CHILDREN -- WE ALREADY HAVE THE HUB. AND I THINK DR. HEGER  
14 HERE AT MACLAREN AND TALK ABOUT THE PROTOCOLS WE USE THERE.  
15 BUT TO MAKE IT A RESPONSIBILITY THAT CHILDREN BE REFERRED  
16 THERE. AND THERE YOU HAVE A WHOLE COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH, A  
17 WHOLE FORENSIC APPROACH AS TO HOW THAT ASSESSMENT IS MADE THAT  
18 IS COORDINATED NOT ONLY WITH HEALTHCARE SERVICES, MEDICAL  
19 DOCTORS, BUT ALSO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND OTHER  
20 RESPONSIBILITIES THAT STRESSED PARENTS OR CAREGIVERS MAY HAVE.  
21 BUT, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO  
22 ADD A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO YOUR MOTION SO THAT WE HAVE A  
23 COORDINATED EFFORT. I HAVE BEEN A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED AS TO  
24 WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THIS HEALTH CLINIC. AND ITS STATEMENTS  
25 THAT IT'S MAKING WITH REGARD TO WHETHER THEY DID WHAT THEY DID



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1 AND THE KIND OF POINTING FINGERS, I GUESS, IS WHAT I WOULD  
2 SAY. AND I THINK IT'S A DISJOINTED RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE  
3 COLLECTIVELY HAVE TO A CHILD. AND I DON'T THINK IT MAKES SENSE  
4 TO SIT THERE AND HAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE. I WAS PARTICULARLY  
5 CONCERNED WITH THE L.A.P.D. STANDING UP AND POINTING FINGERS,  
6 AS WELL, AND NOT REALLY -- I MEAN, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THEY'RE  
7 ISSUING TO THE PRESS AND THE KIND OF STATEMENTS THAT THEY'RE  
8 MAKING. I THINK THERE HAS TO BE SOME KIND OF CLEAR  
9 UNDERSTANDING WHEN IT COMES TO THE INTERESTS OF THE CHILD OR  
10 AT LEAST TO DISSECT WHAT WENT WRONG WHEN A CHILD DIES, IT  
11 REALLY REQUIRES EVERYONE TO COME TO THE TABLE AND SORT THAT  
12 OUT AND NOT START PONTIFICATING AT ONE END AS TO WHAT IS AND  
13 WHAT SHOULD BE DONE. NOW, GRANTED, THERE ARE A LOT OF ISSUES.  
14 I, TOO, HAVE CRITICISMS AND CONCERNS ABOUT HOW THESE  
15 CHILDREN'S CASES WERE HANDLED. BUT I DO THINK THAT ONE OF THE  
16 THINGS AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE HUBS COUNTY-WIDE, WHICH  
17 WOULD BE A GREAT THING, IS TO FIND A WAY THAT ALL OF THE  
18 RELATED POLICE DEPARTMENTS, ALL OF THE RELATED CLINICS,  
19 PRIVATE, NONPROFIT, HAVE THE SAME SET OF PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITY  
20 TO BEFORE THEY GO OFF AND POINT FINGERS AND START MAKING THESE  
21 DETERMINATIONS IS THEY HAVE -- WE CREATE SOME KIND OF  
22 MECHANISM -- AND HELP ME HERE, I'M NOT SURE I KNOW THE ANSWER,  
23 SOME KIND OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY HAVE TO  
24 WORK WITH CHILDREN'S SERVICES, WHO REALLY IS THE ULTIMATE  
25 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CHILD, TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY IS



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1 COOPERATIVE IN THAT REGARD. SO IF THE HUBS HAVE A WORKING  
2 RELATIONSHIP, LET'S SAY IT'S OUT THERE IN AN AREA WHERE IT HAS  
3 A PRIVATE LAW ENFORCEMENT, THAT THEY HAVE THE SAME SET OF  
4 PROTOCOLS AS THE SHERIFF DOES OR L.A.P.D. DOES. SO I'M ASKING  
5 AND I'M NOT SURE WHAT IT IS THAT IN THE REPORT BACK THAT IT  
6 LOOK AT HOW WE WOULD IMPLEMENT IT SO THAT THERE WOULD BE A  
7 COORDINATED, COLLABORATIVE EFFORT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE  
8 CHILD, UNDER SOME MECHANISM OF M.O.U.S, SOME KIND OF SET OF  
9 PROTOCOLS AND PROCEDURES. BECAUSE OTHERWISE, EVERYONE WILL BE  
10 DOING THEIR THING ALL OVER THE PLACE. AND I'M CONCERNED THAT  
11 AT THE END OF THE DAY, YOU DON'T HAVE THE COMPREHENSIVE  
12 APPROACH. SO IF I COULD JUST ADD THAT IN SOME FASHION.

13  
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE, I WAS  
15 INVOLVED WITH THE LEGISLATION FOR THE MEDICAL SIDE TO MAKE THE  
16 REPORTS AND THE SCHOOL SIDE THAT MAKE THESE REPORTS. BUT  
17 YOU'RE OBVIOUSLY RIGHT. THEY SHOULD BE FOLLOWING THE SAME  
18 PROTOCOL SO AGENCY A KNOWS WHAT AGENCY B IS RESPONDING TO.

19  
20 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT.

21  
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND, BILL, COULD WE HAVE THAT AS AN INCLUSION  
23 TO REPORT BACK ON HOW WE CAN IMPLEMENT A UNIFORM?



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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I THINK THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT  
2   WOULD BE THAT JUST A CONSISTENT -- THE THING THAT CONCERNS ME,  
3   I MEAN OBVIOUSLY THERE'S NO DOUBT IN ANY OF OUR MINDS WHAT HAS  
4   HAPPENED THE LAST FEW WEEKS IS A TRAGEDY, AND OUT OF THAT. BUT  
5   IN ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT MOTIONS, THAT THE ULTIMATE GOAL OUT  
6   OF ALL THE MOTIONS AS IT RELATES TO THIS THAT THE BENEFIT OF  
7   THE CHILD AT THE END IS SOME IS SET OF PROTOCOLS THAT'S  
8   CONSISTENT THAT'S OUT THERE SO THAT EVERY ENTITY KNOWS WHAT TO  
9   DO. IF YOU WANT TO MAKE THAT FRIENDLY?

10

11   **SUP. MOLINA:** I DO. I WANT TO DO IT. BUT ALSO SO THAT IT SHOULD  
12   BE INCLUDED. AND I THINK THE C.A.O. NEEDS TO WRESTLE WITH  
13   WHERE IT IS GOING TO PLACE THE FULL ACCOUNTABILITY OF THIS  
14   COLLECTIVE PROCESS. NOW, I GUESS IT WOULD BE IN CHILDREN'S  
15   SERVICES, BUT I'M CONCERNED NOW THAT THEY HAVE THAT  
16   RESPONSIBILITY TODAY. AND I DON'T KNOW, IN SOME OF THESE  
17   REFERRALS, THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE MONITORING GOING ON IN THE  
18   AREA OF MENTAL HEALTH WHERE THEY DO THESE REFERRALS TO  
19   SOMEBODY. BUT THERE ISN'T ANYBODY OVER THERE TO CATCH THAT  
20   SITUATION AND TO BRING IT BACK AROUND. SO I GUESS I AM SAYING  
21   THE C.A.O. SHOULD LOOK AT IT, BUT I THINK IT HAS A DEEP SENSE  
22   OF RESPONSIBILITY TO FIGURE OUT WHERE IS THE ACCOUNTABILITY  
23   GOING TO BE? SO IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE AN ENTITY, A  
24   DEPARTMENT, AN INDIVIDUAL. IT'S LIKE ANYTHING ELSE, IF IT'S  
25   GOING TO BE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF



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1 MENTAL HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SOCIAL SERVICES, THE  
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, L.A.P.D., ALL OF THESE FOLKS ARE ALL  
3 GOING TO SAY YES TO US. AND THEN WHEN AN INCIDENT HAPPENS,  
4 THEY ARE ALL GOING TO RUN BACK TO THEIR CORNER AND POINT  
5 FINGERS. SO YOU NEED TO ALSO FIND A PLACE THAT'S GOING TO BE  
6 REALLY THE ANCHOR FOR THIS COOPERATIVE, COLLABORATIVE  
7 RESPONSIBILITY.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, THE ONE  
10 THING THAT I HOPE IS THAT THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE LOOKING FOR  
11 BETTER WAYS AS TO OVERSIGHT, AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA MENTIONED.  
12 BUT ALSO THAT THERE'S BETTER GUIDANCE GIVEN IN THE FIELD AS TO  
13 THE INPUT IN HOW THAT'S TRANSFERRED. PARTICULARLY THE FEEDBACK  
14 ON THE DECISIONS THAT SOCIAL WORKERS ARE MAKING. I MEAN, I  
15 REALLY THINK IT'S JUST NOT FAIR FOR ONE PERSON TO BE LEFT FOR  
16 HUGE DECISIONS IMPACTING A CHILD'S LIFE. SO THAT'S JUST NOT  
17 REASONABLE. BUT CERTAINLY, AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA INDICATED,  
18 THERE WOULD BE A PROTOCOL FOR REVIEW AND ACCOUNTABILITY. BUT  
19 MOST IMPORTANTLY, JUST THAT THERE'S SOME SUBSET THAT ALLOWS  
20 FOR THE SOCIAL WORKER TO SEEK ASSISTANCE, AS WELL, TOO.  
21 THERE'S JUST A LOT OUT THERE IN ALL THESE MOTIONS. SOMEHOW WE  
22 NEED TO -- AGAIN LIKE YOU SAY, I'M NOT SURE HOW TO BRING IT  
23 ALL TOGETHER. BUT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? I'M SORRY.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** I WAS GOING TO INTRODUCE MY MOTION, AS WELL. I  
2   THINK I READ IT LAST WEEK IN. AND WE DO HAVE SOME PEOPLE THAT  
3   WANT TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. BUT MAYBE WE SHOULD PUT ALL OF OUR  
4   MOTIONS ON THE TABLE SO THAT EVERYBODY KNOWS EXACTLY THE KIND  
5   OF POINT WE'RE GOING TO GET TO. AND THEN WE CAN ALL SPEAK TO  
6   IT AND HAVE SOME OF OUR SPEAKERS ADDRESS SOME OF THESE ISSUES.  
7   THE MOTION THAT I PUT IN LAST WEEK DOES A COUPLE OF THINGS, OR  
8   I WANT IT TO ACCOMPLISH A COUPLE OF THINGS. FIRST OF ALL, IT  
9   IS GOING TO GO THROUGH A MECHANISM TO ASK FOR A REPORT BACK.  
10   BUT NUMBER ONE, IN THE INSTANCE OF THE TWO DEATHS THAT WE HAD  
11   MOST RECENTLY WITH THESE CHILDREN, THERE JUST DOESN'T SEEM TO  
12   BE THE KIND OF OUTCOME THAT YOU'D SEE OF PROFESSIONALS WITHIN  
13   THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SERVICES. WHEN YOU HAVE TRAINED  
14   M.S.W.S, ONE'S ASSUMPTION IS, PARTICULARLY EMPOWERED TO TAKE  
15   AWAY CHILDREN OUT OF A HOME WHERE THERE MAY BE POTENTIAL ABUSE  
16   OR NEGLECT, THAT WHEN YOU EMPOWER THEM WITH THESE KINDS OF  
17   RESPONSIBILITIES AND HOPEFULLY PROVIDE THE RESOURCES, WHICH OF  
18   COURSE SOME PEOPLE ALWAYS QUESTION US AS TO WHETHER WE HAVE  
19   ENOUGH RESOURCES IN PLACE TO DO ALL OF THE KINDS OF THINGS  
20   THAT WE NEED TO DO, BUT THEY ARE CLEARLY EMPOWERED TO DO THESE  
21   THINGS AND THERE'S A SET OF RESPONSIBILITIES THAT GO ON. BUT  
22   UNFORTUNATELY, EVERY TIME WE SEE A CHILD DEATH AND WE GO  
23   BACKWARDS TO SAY WHAT HAPPENED, WE ALWAYS FIND THAT THERE WERE  
24   ERRORS OR DISCREPANCIES OR OUT-AND-OUT FIBS ABOUT WHAT WORK  
25   THE SOCIAL WORKERS CARRIED OUT. IN OTHER WORDS, DID THEY





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1 MONITOR THAT CHILD? DID THEY MAKE SURE THAT THAT DOCTOR HAD  
2 VISITED THAT CHILD, THAT THE CHILD VISITED THE DOCTOR? DO THEY  
3 HAVE THAT DOCUMENTED IN THE FILE? IS, IN FACT, THAT CARETAKER  
4 CAPABLE OF TAKING CARE OF THAT CHILD? HAVE THEY EVALUATED THE  
5 MENTAL HEALTH OF THE CARETAKER OR THE NEEDS OF THE CHILD? ALL  
6 OF THOSE THINGS ARE ASSUMPTIONS THAT SOME OF US WHO ARE NOT  
7 PROFESSIONALS IN THE AREA ASSUME THAT THE DEPARTMENT AND  
8 CHILDREN SERVICES AND PROFESSIONALS ARE TAKING CARE OF. BUT  
9 WHEN YOU SEE A CHILD DIE, WHEN THE CHILD IN POMONA DIED OF  
10 STARVATION, THIS MOST RECENT CHILD THAT WAS DECAPITATED, AND  
11 OF COURSE DAE'VON, WHO WAS BEATEN TO DEATH, ALL OF THIS SAYS  
12 THAT SOMEWHERE IN THE PROCESS, EITHER THROUGH REPORTING  
13 MECHANISMS, THROUGH FOLLOW-UP OF OUR DEPARTMENTS, RELIANCE ON  
14 OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS AND AGENCIES TO DO THE ASSESSMENTS AND  
15 REVIEWS, SOMETHING DID NOT HAPPEN. SOMETHING FELL THROUGH THE  
16 CRACKS. SO I'M ASKING, NUMBER ONE, THAT WE CREATE-- AND OUR  
17 COMPUTER SYSTEM IS SOPHISTICATED ENOUGH TO DO THAT, TO ADD AN  
18 ADDITIONAL LAYER OF MONITORING. AND IT'S VERY SIMPLE. LIKE  
19 MANY OF US WHEN WE ASK FOR A CREDIT CARD ON THE INTERNET OR WE  
20 DEVELOP A WEBSITE, IT HAS MANDATED RESPONSIBILITIES AND IT  
21 DOESN'T LET YOU GO ON TO THE NEXT SCREEN UNTIL YOU FILL IN THE  
22 FOLLOWING INFORMATION. AND SO IT IS GOING TO HAVE THAT KIND OF  
23 DATA REQUIRED AND THAT KIND OF COMPUTER MONITORING FOR THE  
24 SOCIAL WORKER, THE CASE CARRYING SOCIAL WORKER. IT IS GOING TO  
25 HAVE THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE SUPERVISING SOCIAL WORKER,



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1 THAT THEY REVIEWED THE FILE, THAT THEY MADE SURE THOSE  
2 DOCUMENTS WERE THERE. AND IT IS ALSO GOING TO GO ALL THE WAY  
3 UP TO THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS IN OVERSEEING THESE CASES  
4 THROUGH SOME KIND OF BASIC, SIMPLE COMPUTER SCREEN. BECAUSE  
5 HAVING THEM SIGN OFF ON IT, WHICH IS WHAT WE HAVE, OH, YES, I  
6 REVIEWED THE CASE, HE SIGNED OFF ON IT. YOU GO BACK. WERE ALL  
7 THE RECORDS IN PLACE? I DON'T REMEMBER. DO YOU KNOW IF IN FACT  
8 THAT YOU REVIEWED AND SEE IF IT WAS SIGNED OFF BY A MEDICAL  
9 DOCTOR? WELL, I'M NOT SURE. IF YOU DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF  
10 CHECKLIST, IT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING. BECAUSE THEN YOU CAN'T  
11 GET TO THE POINT OF WHAT IS IT THAT WE DID WRONG? OUR  
12 RESPONSIBILITY HERE IS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PUTTING IN  
13 PLACE ALL THE PROCEDURES, PROTOCOLS AND OF COURSE THE  
14 RESOURCES THAT ARE NECESSARY TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE  
15 ASSESSMENTS ARE PROPERLY MADE, THE DETERMINATIONS ARE  
16 APPROPRIATELY MADE, THAT ALL OF THE DOCUMENTATION THAT WE NEED  
17 TO GO TO COURT TO MAKE A CASE IS ALL AVAILABLE SO THAT AT THE  
18 END OF THE DAY, WE ARE NOT MAKING THE MISTAKES ON OUR END.  
19 THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT CHILDREN WILL NOT DIE. THAT IS  
20 IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT AT ANY LEVEL. BUT I THINK THAT WE ARE  
21 PUTTING IN PLACE WHEN IN FACT THERE IS A CALL FROM A MANDATED  
22 REPORTER THAT THERE IS FOLLOW-UP, THAT THEY HAVE DONE ALL  
23 THEIR DOCUMENTATION, THAT EVERYBODY MAKES SURE THAT THAT IS  
24 DONE. WE DO THE FOLLOW-UP AND WHEN THERE IS OVERSIGHT AND  
25 SOMEBODY'S MADE A DETERMINATION THAT THIS WAS AN UNFOUNDED



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1 KIND OF SET OF ALLEGATIONS THAT THERE'S OVERSIGHT. SOMEONE  
2 ELSE HAS REVIEWED THAT. SO I'M ASKING FOR THAT TO COME BACK.  
3 THEN SECONDLY IS THE COMPONENT VERY SIMILAR TO SUPERVISOR  
4 ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR'S YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION. AND THAT IS  
5 THAT UNDER MACLAREN, WE HAVE CREATED THIS VERY, VERY UNIQUE  
6 MEDICAL HUB. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF IT. DR. HEGER IS REALLY THE  
7 INSPIRATION FOR THAT. IT HAS A WHOLE SERIES OF PROFESSIONALS  
8 THAT KNOW EXACTLY WHAT TO LOOK AT, HOW TO LOOK AT IT, HOW TO  
9 MAKE SURE THAT THIS CHILD IS GOING TO BE PROTECTED. THIS IS  
10 THE ADDITIONAL LAYER OF EXPERTS THAT WE NEED IN ORDER TO MAKE  
11 SURE THAT THESE KINDS OF THINGS CAN BE PREVENTED IF AT ALL  
12 POSSIBLE. SO WE'RE ASKING THAT THAT BE PUT IN PLACE AS A PILOT  
13 TO MAKE SURE THAT IT WORKS, PROCEDURES, PROTOCOLS AND ALL THAT  
14 NEEDS TO BE DONE. AND WE THINK THAT IT SHOULDN'T COST ANY MORE  
15 MONEY. WE THINK IT CAN BE DONE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF WHAT WE  
16 HAVE TODAY. SO I'D LIKE ALL THE OTHER MEMBERS TO PUT THEIR  
17 MOTIONS ON THE TABLE AND THEN I'M GOING TO INVITE DR. HEGER  
18 AND OTHERS TO COME UP AND ADDRESS THE BOARD.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'M  
21 MINDFUL OF THE FACT THAT JUST A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, PURSUANT  
22 TO A MOTION THAT WAS INTRODUCED ON APRIL THE 28TH, THAT THERE  
23 WAS A REPORT FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO GIVE THE BOARD  
24 GUIDANCE AND FEEDBACK ON THE MATTER BEFORE US IN THE GENERIC  
25 SENSE. THIS MOTION THAT WAS INTRODUCED IN APRIL WAS PURSUANT



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1 TO WORK THAT WAS DONE THAT CHRONICLED A SERIES OF DEATHS THAT  
2 CAUSED THE BOARD TO BE VERY CONCERNED. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME  
3 THAT THE DISCUSSION THAT WE'RE HAVING NOW ABOUT THE TWO MOST  
4 RECENT DEATHS CAN BEST BE MADE EFFECTIVE BY WHAT IS ALREADY  
5 BEING EVIDENCED OF THE CONCERNS FROM VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE  
6 BOARD. BUT WE RUN THE RISK, AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S CONCERN  
7 HERE, BEING ONE OF HOW TO RECONCILE THESE VARIOUS IDEAS.  
8 SHOULD WE NOT, MR. CHAIRMAN, THEN HAVE THE C.E.O. GO BACK TO  
9 THE REPORT THAT WAS ISSUED ON JULY 24TH AND BRING ALL OF THESE  
10 PIECES TOGETHER SO THAT IT IS COHERENT. A STRUCTURAL CHANGE,  
11 IF IT IS TO BE EFFICACIOUS AT ALL, HAS TO BE COHERENT. AND I  
12 THINK ALL OF US HAVE IDEAS TO MAKE MATTERS BETTER. SOME OF  
13 THEM CAN BE INHERENTLY CONFLICTUAL. AND SO WHERE IS THE POINT  
14 OF TRYING TO ARBITRATE AND/OR RECONCILE THE DIFFERENCES  
15 BECOMES MY CONCERN, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND I DON'T KNOW THAT IT  
16 HAPPENS IN ANY OTHER PLACE OTHER THAN THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
17 OFFICE. AND THAT OBVIOUSLY WITH THE INPUT OF THE DESIGNATED  
18 DEPUTIES FROM THE RESPECTIVE BOARD OFFICES ALSO IN  
19 CONSULTATION WITH THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND  
20 FAMILY SERVICES. ATTEMPTING TO DO SO HERE AND NOW STRIKES ME  
21 AS RUNNING THE RISK OF JUST A DISJOINTED POLICY PROMULGATION  
22 AT BEST. I'LL CONCLUDE ON THIS POINT. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT  
23 THERE ARE ALREADY EXISTING LAWS THAT REQUIRE THE WAY IN WHICH  
24 CLINICS AND SUCH ENTITIES OPERATE. THE QUESTION FOR ME IS  
25 WHETHER THEY ARE IN COMPLIANCE OR NOT. AND THE QUESTION BEYOND



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1 THAT IS HOW DO WE KNOW WHETHER THEY ARE IN COMPLIANCE GOES TO  
2 WHETHER THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES IS  
3 MAINTAINING A REGULAR AUDIT SCHEDULE TO KNOW WHO, IN FACT,  
4 HAPPENS TO BE IN THESE CLINICS, THE SERVICES THAT ARE  
5 REQUIRED. EACH CLINIC, BY LAW, IS A MANDATORY REPORTER. AND  
6 THE QUESTION THEN BECOMES: HOW MANY PERSONS ARE ON STAFF AT  
7 ANY GIVEN TIME SEEING PATIENTS THAT KNOW WHAT, IN FACT, THEY  
8 ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING WITH RESPECT TO FOLLOWING THROUGH  
9 WHEN A CHILD IS AT RISK AND/OR IN DANGER IN AN ATTEMPT TO  
10 AVOID THE TRAGIC CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WE'RE CONTENDING WITH NOW.  
11 ONE ILLUSTRATION IS DAE'VON BAILEY. REGRETTABLY, THAT IS NOT  
12 THE ONLY EXAMPLE. THEREFORE, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE'S A  
13 GREAT NEED FOR MUCH MORE POLICY COHERENCE. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME  
14 THAT THE MOTIONS SHOULD ALL BE TIED TOGETHER WITH THE IDEA OF  
15 GOING TO A CENTRAL PLACE FOR FURTHER VETTING BEFORE ANYTHING  
16 IS ADOPTED, OTHERWISE I FEAR THAT WE MAY NOT DO OUR BEST WORK,  
17 MR. CHAIRMAN.

18  
19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I CONCUR. I THINK THAT'S, AT THE END OF  
20 THE DAY, THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO. THERE'S A LOT GOING ON OUT  
21 THERE, AND ALL IN A RESPONSIBLE MANNER TRYING TO DO THE RIGHT  
22 THING. EVEN THOUGH THE TIMES MAY INDICATE THAT WE RESPOND TO  
23 THEM, IT'S REALLY NOT DOING THAT. IT'S RESPONDING TO PREVIOUS  
24 THINGS THAT WE SET IN PLACE. AND OBVIOUSLY OUR ULTIMATE GOAL  
25 IS TO HAVE ZERO DEATHS. AND IT'S TRAGIC. AND SOME INACCURACIES



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1 HAVE BEEN REPORTED. BUT TO HAVE A STRONG PROTOCOL IN PLACE AT  
2 THE END OF THE DAY, BRINGING ALL THESE MOTIONS TOGETHER, I  
3 THINK WOULD BE VERY APPROPRIATE.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN DO JUST THAT. WE CAN TAKE THE MOTIONS  
6 THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND THEN OUR  
7 EARLIER APRIL REPORT, AND BRING THAT TOGETHER, WORKING WITH  
8 YOUR CHILDREN'S DEPUTIES AND HAVE ONE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. LOOK FORWARD TO THAT.  
11 WE WOULD ASK DR. HEGER, ADELINA SORKIN, SUSAN FRIEDMAN TO JOIN  
12 US UP HERE, PLEASE? IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROCEED, IDENTIFY  
13 YOURSELF, PLEASE.

14

15 **DR. ASTRID HEGER:** I'M DR. HEGER, FROM L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL  
16 CENTER. AND WE HAVE AN ENORMOUS -- I THINK I'M ACQUAINTED WITH  
17 MOST OF YOU BECAUSE OF THAT WORK. I'M HERE TO JUST MAKE A  
18 COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF BOTH MOTIONS, ACTUALLY. AND MOVING  
19 FORWARD I THINK WITH THE C.E.O. IS THAT THE HUB SYSTEM WAS  
20 BUILT WITH THE TREMENDOUS INPUT AND DEDICATION FROM BOTH  
21 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND DEPARTMENT OF  
22 HEALTH SERVICES IN AN ATTEMPT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERY CHILD IN  
23 THIS COUNTY HAS ACCESS TO THE BEST OF CARE AT THE TIME THAT  
24 THEY'RE AT RISK FOR INVOLVEMENT WITH D.C.F.S., WHETHER THEY'RE  
25 GOING TO BE DETAINED OR NOT DETAINED. AND CERTAINLY TO MAKE





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1 SURE THEY HAVE ACCESS TO GOOD HEALTHCARE ON AN ONGOING BASIS.  
2 AND ULTIMATELY TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A MEDICAL HOME SO THAT THE  
3 KIDS IN FOSTER CARE WHO ARE MOST AT RISK ACTUALLY HAVE A  
4 SYSTEM IN PLACE THAT WILL MONITOR THEIR WELL-BEING. I THINK  
5 THE GOAL OF EVERYBODY HERE AT THE TABLE, I WON'T SPEAK FOR  
6 THEM, BUT WE'RE ALL HERE BECAUSE WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE  
7 WELL BEING OF CHILDREN AND THEIR ULTIMATE COMING OUT AT THE  
8 OTHER END OF OUR INVOLVEMENT BETTER THAN WHEN THEY STARTED. I  
9 HAVE SOME SUGGESTIONS OF THINGS THAT WE COULD CERTAINLY  
10 DISCUSS. I WOULD CERTAINLY UNDERSCORE WHAT ALL THE SUPERVISORS  
11 HAVE SAID HERE IS I THINK IT NEEDS TO COME TOGETHER AS A GROUP  
12 MEETING WITH THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE CHARGED WITH THE  
13 SERVICE. CERTAINLY HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, D.C.F.S. AND UNDER  
14 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S GUIDANCE TO BRING EVERYTHING  
15 GOOD THAT WE HAVE TO THE TABLE AND GUARANTEE THAT WE'RE USING  
16 IT THE BEST WE POSSIBLY CAN. CLEARLY, THIS DOES NOT HAVE TO BE  
17 AN ECONOMIC DRAIN ON THE COUNTY OF L.A. IF YOU LOOK AT THE  
18 BUSINESS MODEL THAT WE'VE ESTABLISHED, AT LEAST AT  
19 L.A.C.+U.S.C. MED CENTER, IT CAN BE BUDGET-NEUTRAL. IT JUST IS  
20 HOW YOU -- YOU HAVE TO PUT IT IN PLACE CORRECTLY. YOU HAVE TO  
21 BUILD A GOOD BILLING STRUCTURE UNDERNEATH IT, AND YOU HAVE TO  
22 COLLABORATE AND COOPERATE, AND THAT'S WHAT THE WORD IS HERE. I  
23 CERTAINLY WOULD LIKE TO JUST MENTION THE FACT THAT IN THE DAY,  
24 AND TODAY WE HAVE AUTOMATION EVERYWHERE. AND WE HAVE THE  
25 ABILITY -- WE BUILT AN AUTOMATED SYSTEM TO LOOK AT KIDS IN THE





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1 MEDICAL SYSTEM THAT'S WAITING TO BE IMPLEMENTED COUNTY-WIDE.  
2 WE HAVE A D.C.F.S. SYSTEM TO IMPLEMENT THAT COULD BE  
3 IMPLEMENTED COUNTY-WIDE AND WE HAVE A D.M.H. SYSTEM. ONE OF  
4 THE AREAS WE SHOULD LOOK AT IMMEDIATELY IS HOW DO WE INTEGRATE  
5 ALL THREE OF THOSE SO THAT THESE CHILDREN DO NOT FALL THROUGH  
6 THE CRACKS? BUT REALLY, RIGHT NOW IT MEANS THAT WE CAN NO  
7 LONGER AFFORD TO LIVE IN A SILO. HEALTH CAN'T LIVE IN A SILO,  
8 MENTAL HEALTH CAN'T LIVE IN A SILO AND D.C.F.S. CAN'T LIVE IN  
9 A SILO. WE HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO INTEGRATE OUR EFFORTS SO THAT  
10 EVERY CHILD HAS ACCESS TO THIS AND WE HAVE TO WORK TOWARDS  
11 EXPANDING THE SERVICES TO CREATE A MEDICAL HOME FOR THESE  
12 CHILDREN. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

15

16 **ADELINA SORKIN:** ADELINA SORKIN. I'M CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF THE  
17 COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND I'M SERVING AS CHAIR.  
18 THE COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IS CONCERNED NOT ONLY  
19 FOR SAFETY BUT ALSO FOR WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN. APPROXIMATELY  
20 12 YEARS AGO, THE COMMISSION WAS INVOLVED WITH REVIEWING THE  
21 CASE OF LANCE HELMS. AND EVERY FEW YEARS, ANOTHER DEATH  
22 HAPPENS. AT THIS MEETING WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THREE DEATHS. BUT  
23 WE'RE SUPPORTING THE MOTIONS BECAUSE IT'S TIME TO REALLY TALK  
24 AND DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM. A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM  
25 WHERE ONE DEPARTMENT, NOT ONLY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND



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1 FAMILY SERVICES, BUT ALSO HEALTH SERVICES AS WELL AS  
2 PROBATION, AS WELL AS MENTAL HEALTH SIT DOWN. LAST YEAR, THE  
3 LEGISLATURE PASSED THE FUENTES BILL THAT ALLOWS DEPARTMENTS TO  
4 TALK TO EACH OTHER WITHOUT HAVING THE EXCUSE THAT THERE'S THE  
5 ISSUES OF CONFIDENTIALITY. WE ARE HERE TO REALLY HELP SAVE  
6 CHILDREN, TO PROVIDE WELL-BEING FOR THEM. AND IT IS ONLY WHEN  
7 WE ARE ABLE TO TALK WITH EACH OTHER, WHERE WE'RE BEING ABLE TO  
8 REALLY SEE WHAT IS BEST FOR THE CHILDREN THAT WE WILL BE ABLE  
9 TO MOVE FORWARD. TOO OFTEN, WE FIND THAT THERE ARE MISSED  
10 OPPORTUNITIES. AND THESE MISSED OPPORTUNITIES ARE BECAUSE ONE  
11 DEPARTMENT IS NOT TALKING WITH ANOTHER DEPARTMENT. THE HUB  
12 SYSTEM IS A WONDERFUL SYSTEM. OUR COMMISSION HAS BEEN ABLE TO  
13 SEE AT LEAST THREE OF THE HUBS. AND THEY ARE ABLE TO REALLY  
14 PROVIDE THE COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION, AS WELL AS THE FORENSIC  
15 EVALUATION. IT'S A REAL ART TO BE ABLE TO SEE A CHILD THAT IS  
16 VERY YOUNG WHO OFTEN CANNOT SPEAK FOR HIMSELF OR HERSELF. IT  
17 IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF ALL  
18 DETENTIONS AT THE PRESENT TIME ARE FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE  
19 OF FIVE.

20

21 **SUSAN FRIEDMAN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SUSAN FRIEDMAN, AND I AM A  
22 MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION, AND I AM CHAIR OF THE CHILD FATALITY  
23 COMMITTEE. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE DISCUSSION THAT  
24 YOU'VE BEEN HAVING THIS MORNING AND TELL YOU THAT WE ARE  
25 DEFINITELY IN FAVOR OF MAKING CHANGES. AND I HOPE THAT TODAY



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1 MARKS THE BEGINNING OF OUR LOOKING VERY CLOSELY AT THESE  
2 ISSUES AND MAKING THE CHANGES THAT WE NEED TO MAKE IN ORDER TO  
3 SAVE THE LIVES OF OUR CHILDREN. I KNOW SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
4 THOMAS SPOKE, SAID A LOT OF THESE THINGS ARE ALREADY IN PLACE.  
5 THEY MAY BE, BUT NOBODY IS PAYING ATTENTION. AND I THINK EVERY  
6 TIME YOU PAY ATTENTION, EVERYBODY ELSE WILL PAY ATTENTION. OUR  
7 COMMITTEE HAS SELECTED CERTAIN CASES WHICH WE STUDIED AND  
8 ANALYZED AND MADE RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON WHAT WE LEARNED  
9 FROM READING THOSE CASES. AND WE APPRECIATE THAT YOU HAVE  
10 RECOGNIZED SOME OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS TODAY. AND WE HOPE  
11 THAT WE CAN KEEP THESE LINES OF COMMUNICATION OPEN. BECAUSE WE  
12 HAVE THE TIME TO LOOK AT THESE CASES VERY CLOSELY THAT SOME OF  
13 YOU SIMPLY DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO DO. ALL OF THESE DEATHS ARE  
14 TRAGIC. BUT IT SOMEHOW SEEMS THAT IT TAKES A DEATH ON THE  
15 FRONT PAGE OF THE L.A. TIMES TO GET EVERYBODY TO SIT UP AND  
16 PAY ATTENTION AND BRING THESE ISSUES TO THE FRONT BURNER. I  
17 HOPE THAT THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF PERMANENT CHANGE AND THAT  
18 WE WON'T BE BACK HERE IN SIX MONTHS SAYING "OH, HOW ARE WE  
19 GOING TO IMPLEMENT THESE CHANGES"? I HOPE THEY GET  
20 IMPLEMENTED, BECAUSE WE HAVE NO TIME TO WASTE BECAUSE WE HAVE  
21 THOSE CHILDREN'S LIVES IN OUR HANDS. THANK YOU.

22  
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I AGREE. I MEAN, WITH ONE EXCEPTION. I  
24 DON'T THINK IT HAS TO BE THE FRONT PAGE OF THE L.A. TIMES. AND  
25 WE HEAR ABOUT THESE THINGS AND SOMETIMES WE'RE NOT FORTUNATE



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1 ENOUGH TO GET THEM BEFORE THE L.A. TIMES. AND THEY'RE A GRAVE  
2 CONCERN TO US. AND I CONCUR THAT WE HOPE THAT THOSE CHANGES  
3 ARE MADE QUICKLY. OKAY.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR?

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE ONE MORE PERSON BUT GO AHEAD.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, GO AHEAD.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARNOLD SACHS SIGNED UP FOR ITEM NO. 2.

12 THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN.

13

14 **SUSAN FRIEDMAN:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS HE COMES, MR. CHAIR, IF YOU ARE

17 PREPARED TO TAKE A MOTION, I WOULD MOVE --

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD MOVE THAT THE MATTER BEFORE US BE

22 DIRECTED TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE PURPOSE OF

23 BUILDING ON THE REPORT OF JULY THE 24TH. TAKING INTO

24 CONSIDERATION ALL THE MOTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED TODAY,

25 THE WORKING GROUP WOULD MINIMALLY INCLUDE THE DEPARTMENT, AS



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1 WELL AS THE DEPUTIES FROM THE RESPECTIVE BOARD OFFICES. AND,  
2 MR. CHAIR, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT IF WE CAN SEE MINIMALLY  
3 PRELIMINARY WORK WITHIN 30 DAYS AND GO FROM THERE, THAT WOULD  
4 BE MY MOTION.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** OKAY. I'LL SECOND THAT. AND WE'LL MAKE  
7 THAT PART OF THE WHOLE PACKAGE. OKAY. MR. SACHS?

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. IT'S ALWAYS NICE TO  
10 HEAR FROM PROFESSIONALS AND GET SOME INFORMATION SO THAT YOU  
11 CAN ADD IT TO YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. I BELIEVE THE FIRST SPEAKER  
12 WHO WAS BEFORE YOU JUST SPOKE ABOUT THREE PROGRAMS THAT NEED  
13 TO BE INTEGRATED. AND THE SECOND SPEAKERS MENTIONED THE  
14 PROBLEM OF SHARING INFORMATION. I BELIEVE SHE MENTIONED THAT  
15 THERE WAS A CHILD'S DEATH 12 YEARS AGO. YET THERE'S REALLY NO  
16 CHANGE. YOU UPGRADE PROGRAMS, BUT YOU DON'T ADDRESS THOSE TWO  
17 MAJOR PROBLEMS. THERE'S STILL NO SHARING OF INFORMATION.  
18 THERE'S STILL PROGRAMS THAT NEED TO BE INTEGRATED. WHY ISN'T A  
19 PROGRAM THAT'S BROUGHT OUT THAT'S NEW OR GOING TO BE NEW  
20 INTEGRATED INTO THE PROGRAMS THAT ALREADY EXIST AS A FIRST  
21 STEP? WHY FOLLOW THE HORSE AFTER IT'S LEFT THE BARN? WHAT  
22 ABOUT THE COSTS? YOU WANT TO ADD ANOTHER LEVEL OF MONITORING?  
23 I DON'T HEAR ANYBODY MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT PENALTIES BEING  
24 IMPOSED. IF THE PEOPLE FAILED TO DO OR FAILED TO FOLLOW-UP ON  
25 THE WORK, THERE SHOULD BE A PENALTY IMPOSED. THE STATE NURSING



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1 BOARD JUST GOT ZAPPED BY THE GOVERNOR BECAUSE IT TOOK THEM TWO  
2 YEARS, TWO, THREE YEARS TO REVIEW CASES. WE HEARD ABOUT THE  
3 FIASCO AT M.L.K. WITH -- IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THE HEALTH  
4 DIRECTOR'S FOOTPRINT PLAN, NOBODY WOULD KNOW THAT THE NURSES  
5 WORKING THERE WERE NOT PROFICIENT IN THEIR ABILITIES. IT'S  
6 YOU. YOU'RE THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THERE'S WHERE THE  
7 ACCOUNTABILITY SHOULD BE. RIGHT HERE. STOP ADDING THE LEVELS  
8 OF SLICING THE BREAD THINNER AND THINNER, BUT ANSWER THE  
9 QUESTIONS. SHE SAID 12 YEARS. WHAT'S GONE ON IN 12 YEARS  
10 THAT'S CHANGED? YOU HAD THE DIRECTOR FROM THE SOUTH SERVICES  
11 COME UP HERE A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO AND MENTIONED SHE'D LIKE  
12 TO GET A PROGRAM THAT EQUAL TO NEW YORK SO THAT THE WORKERS  
13 DON'T HAVE THOUSANDS OF CASES HERE. IN NEW YORK. THEY HAVE 10  
14 TO 12 WORKERS. HOW COULD YOU DO IT? HIRE MORE PEOPLE. WELL  
15 THAT MAY NOT BE FEASIBLE. BUT THERE MUST BE ANOTHER WAY TO DO  
16 IT. HOW DID NEW YORK GET THEIR CASELOAD DOWN SO LOW? YOU  
17 FOLLOWED NEW YORK'S PLAN FOR THE HOMELESS, FOLLOW IT FOR THE  
18 CHILD SERVICES. FOLLOW IT FOR THE D.N.A. SERVICES. WE GET --  
19 OH, AND YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'RE GOING TO HAVE ANOTHER LEVEL OF  
20 MONITORING HERE. THAT WILL ANSWER THE QUESTIONS. AND THEN WHEN  
21 SOMEBODY MESSES UP, YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'LL ADD ANOTHER LEVEL OF  
22 MONITORING. BECAUSE THAT WILL ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS. 12  
23 YEARS, 14 YEARS, 16 YEARS, HOW LONG DO WE GET TILL WE GET SOME  
24 RESULTS? THANK YOU.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE SEEN A LOT OF RESULTS, AND YOU  
2    KNOW THAT, MR. SACHS. AND WE'RE JUST TRYING TO MAKE THE SYSTEM  
3    BETTER. AND YOUR COMMENTS ARE RATHER UNFAIR, BUT THAT'S OKAY.  
4    YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO DO THAT. OKAY. THE ITEM -- MULTIPLE  
5    ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. WITH AMENDMENTS. AND I'M GOING TO READ IN  
6    SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. "THE C.E.O. SHOULD  
7    ESTABLISH AN M.O.U. WITH ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED TO IMPLEMENT A  
8    COORDINATED APPROACH IN ORDER TO HAVE A CONSISTENT METHOD IN  
9    HANDLING THESE TYPES OF CASES AND DETERMINE WHICH DEPARTMENT  
10   SHOULD BE THE LEAD AGENCY AND TO COORDINATE AND OVERSEE THESE  
11   EFFORTS." AND THAT WOULD BE SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S FRIENDLY  
12   AMENDMENT. I'LL SECOND THAT. WE HAVE SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
13   THOMAS'S FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

14

15   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S AN OMNIBUS MOTION TO TIE IT ALL  
16   TOGETHER.

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18   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO IT'S CLEAR TO EVERYONE THAT WE  
19   HAVE MULTIPLE MOTIONS AND AMENDMENTS ON THE TABLE.

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21   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ALSO SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD TWO OTHER  
22   MOTIONS THAT SHE HAD BROUGHT FORTH.

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24   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE DID?

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAD TWO OTHER MOTIONS YOU BROUGHT  
4 FORTH? IN ADDITION TO WHAT'S ON THE AGENDA?

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** RIGHT. ONE WAS TO ADD THE ADDITIONAL LAYER  
7 OF MONITORING IN THE D.C.F.S. COMPUTER SYSTEM. AND THEN THE  
8 SECOND WAS TO PUT IN PLACE --

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. LOOK AT THE FEASIBILITY OF ALL --  
11 YEAH, THIS IS ALL --

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S ALL CONNECTED.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S ALL CONNECTED.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BRIEF COMMENT?

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HOPE THAT WHEN OUR DEPUTIES GET TOGETHER  
22 WITH THE C.E.O. STAFF ON THIS THAT THE QUESTION AT HAND WILL  
23 BE WHAT ARE WE DOING THAT WOULD HAVE PREVENTED DAE'VON BAILEY  
24 CASE OR ANY OF THE OTHER NUMBER OF CASES THAT WE'VE HAD? THE  
25 THING THAT STRIKES ME ABOUT THE BAILEY CASE IS THE COMPLETE



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1 BREAKDOWN ON EVERYBODY'S PART, ON OUR COUNTY'S PART, NO  
2 QUESTION ABOUT IT, ON ST. JOHN'S PART, NO QUESTION ABOUT IT.  
3 AND I WISH THE COUNTY COUNSEL WOULD HAVE PERMITTED THE  
4 D.C.F.S. TO RELEASE THE DOCUMENTS THEY HAD THAT WOULD HAVE  
5 DEMONSTRATED THAT. DOCUMENTARY PROOF. BUT IN TIME WE'LL DEAL  
6 WITH THAT. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, BREAKDOWN THERE. IT WAS  
7 ALMOST AT EVERY DOOR THAT YOUNG MR. BAILEY WAS PRESENTED WITH  
8 A BRUISED NOSE, WITH OTHER INJURIES. IT'S ALMOST AS THOUGH  
9 PEOPLE DID NOT WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE IT. AND I KNOW THIS CAN'T  
10 POSSIBLY BE THE CASE, BUT HAD A REASON NOT TO EVEN -- HAD A  
11 REASON TO DEFAULT TO UNFOUNDED. UNFOUNDED ACCUSATIONS,  
12 ALLEGATIONS. EVERYTHING WAS UNFOUNDED. IT'S AN ISSUE THAT I'VE  
13 RAISED WITH MISS PLOEHN OVER A YEAR AGO, MAYBE EVEN CLOSER TO  
14 TWO YEARS AGO IS WHETHER -- AND THIS IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT  
15 I THINK THE COUNTY HAS TO LOOK AT QUITE PAINFULLY IS WHETHER  
16 WE ARE SO FOCUSED ON GETTING -- AT MINIMIZING THE NUMBER OF  
17 KIDS IN OUR SYSTEM THAT PSYCHOLOGICALLY ALL OF OUR PEOPLE ARE  
18 BEING DRIVEN TO DEFAULT TO UNFOUNDED AS OPPOSED TO ERRING ON  
19 THE OTHER SIDE. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THAT'S THE CASE OR NOT,  
20 BUT THERE'S NO -- THERE'S NOTHING ELSE TO ME THAT EXPLAINS SO  
21 MANY CASES THAT HAVE RESULTED IN THIS SITUATION AND BROUGHT US  
22 TO THIS POINT WITH A SLEW OF MOTIONS. WE DO THIS EVERY TIME.  
23 AND WE DO IT WITH ALL SINCERITY. IT'S NOT -- IT'S NOT JUST A  
24 REACTION TO THE SITUATION. IT'S A HOPE THAT WE CAN PREVENT  
25 ANYTHING LIKE THAT FROM OCCURRING IN THE FUTURE. BUT THERE'S



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1 AN OLD SAYING: THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT GUARANTEES A  
2 GUARANTEE. I DON'T KNOW OF A SINGLE THING, A SINGLE GUARANTEE  
3 THAT CAN PREVENT SOME MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL IN A HOSPITAL  
4 NEARBY, ONE OF OUR SOCIAL WORKERS, A POLICE OFFICER ALL  
5 LOOKING AT THIS KID AT VARIOUS TIMES WITH VARIOUS INJURIES AND  
6 ALL CONCLUDING THERE'S NOTHING WRONG. IT'S A PERFECT STORM OF  
7 NEGLIGENCE. AND I HOPE THAT WE TRY TO GET OUR ARMS AROUND  
8 THAT, THAT WEAKNESS, THAT FLAW IN HUMAN NATURE. THAT THERE ARE  
9 PEOPLE WHO, FOR WHATEVER REASON, JUST DON'T SEE IT. ONE OF THE  
10 THINGS, AND I THINK WE SAID IT LAST WEEK, WAS THE DISCIPLINARY  
11 ACTION TAKEN AGAINST OUR FOLKS HAS TO BE SWIFT AND COMPLETE.  
12 THAT SENDS A MESSAGE NOT ONLY TO THE PEOPLE WHO TRANSGRESSED  
13 HERE BUT IT ALSO SENDS A MESSAGE TO EVERYBODY ELSE THAT THEY  
14 WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. AND THEN WHEN THEY COME TO WORK IN  
15 THE MORNING, THAT THEY'RE FOCUSED AND COMPLETELY FOCUSED ON  
16 THE JOB AT HAND AND AT THE KIDS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION,  
17 UNDER THEIR RESPONSIBILITY. AND I HOPE THAT WILL CERTAINLY BE  
18 THE CASE AS A RESULT OF THIS. BUT IT DOESN'T EXPLAIN THE  
19 POLICE OFFICER. IT DOESN'T EXPLAIN THE NURSE, WHO SENT US A  
20 DOCUMENT, SIGNED A DOCUMENT SAYING -- I THINK THE TERM WAS  
21 UNFOUNDED OR WHATEVER THE TERM WAS. THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG  
22 WITH THE KID. AND ON IT GOES. BECAUSE JUST TO DO A REHASH OF  
23 THE STRUCTURE HERE WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO ANSWER THE QUESTION:  
24 HOW DOES THIS MOVE THE BALL DOWN THE FIELD IN TERMS OF  
25 PROTECTING THE KIDS IS JUST REARRANGING THE CHAIRS ON THE



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1 DECKS OF THE TITANIC. THIS IS NOT THE TITANIC BY ANY STRETCH  
2 OF THE IMAGINATION. BUT ONE KID DYING IS ONE TOO MANY. 18 IS  
3 FAR TOO MANY. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 9, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WAIT. WE NEED TO APPROVE THIS  
10 ITEM.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I THOUGHT WE APPROVED IT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, WE DIDN'T.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW YOU CAN APPROVE IT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, ZEV, I WOULD CONCUR WITH THAT. I  
21 THINK THAT TRISH HAS A LOT OF THINGS IN PLACE THEY'RE DOING  
22 AND THEY JUST NEED MORE HELP. AS I SAID EARLIER, IT'S JUST  
23 VERY DIFFICULT TO HAVE A CHILD'S LIFE IN ONE PERSON'S HANDS  
24 AND PREVENT AND TO PUT A CUSHION AROUND THAT SO THAT THERE'S



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1 SOME OVERSIGHT AND YET ACCOUNTABILITY, SO THINGS DON'T SLIP  
2 THROUGH THE CRACKS.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR, I COMPLETELY CONCUR, BUT MAY I  
5 JUST HASTEN TO ADD THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN OFF THE TABLE  
6 THAT AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION TAKE PLACE SHOULD WE DEEM  
7 THAT APPROPRIATE. THIS MATTER IS SIMPLY TOO IMPORTANT, TOO  
8 SERIOUS, AND TOO FAR REACHING TO RELY ON OVEREXTENDED  
9 RESOURCES IN THE DEPARTMENT TO DEAL WITH IT. AND IF THE  
10 PREVIOUS SPEAKERS' REMARKS ARE TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY, IT DOES  
11 GIVE RISE TO THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT INDEPENDENCE IS  
12 WARRANTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF GETTING THE BEST WORK DONE. I'VE  
13 RAISED THAT ISSUE BEFORE. I'M NOT SURE THAT WE SHOULD TAKE  
14 THAT OFF THE TABLE AT THIS JUNCTURE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT TAKING ANYTHING OFF THE TABLE  
17 AT THIS POINT. OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY  
18 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. OR  
19 ACTUALLY, YEAH, OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. CALL ITEM NO. 9. I'D ALSO LIKE TO MOVE  
22 THAT GLYNNIS A. LOUD, DEPUTY SHERIFF, SERVED BETWEEN 2003 AND  
23 THIS YEAR, PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE BUREAU OF  
24 LABOR RELATIONS AND COMPLIANCE. MOVE TO ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY.

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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. ITEM 9 IS  
2   BEFORE US. ARE WE GOING TO HAVE A STAFF?

3

4   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, I'LL JUST  
5   READ IN THE AMENDING LANGUAGE SO THAT WE CAN MOVE AS  
6   EFFICIENTLY AS YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE.

7

8   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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10   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TO GO TO PAGE NO. 2 OF THE MOTION, "THE  
11   ACTING DIRECTOR MAY PROCURE THE ASSISTANCE OF QUALIFIED  
12   CONSULTANTS AND SHALL RETURN TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL SHOULD  
13   THE CONTRACT REQUIRE FUNDING AT NET COUNTY COST." THAT WOULD  
14   ESSENTIALLY BE THE CONCERN. AND I WOULD FURTHER MOVE "THAT  
15   AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE STUDY, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE  
16   DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING FIRST PROVIDE PRELIMINARY  
17   RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MULTI-AGENCY COORDINATION COMMITTEE AND  
18   THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT. AND,  
19   SECONDLY, CONVENE A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE REGIONAL  
20   PLANNING COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO THE  
21   C.S.D. AND THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION MAKE A RECOMMENDATION  
22   TO THIS BOARD REGARDING THE POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS OR  
23   MODIFICATIONS TO THE C.S.D. FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION."  
24   THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND WITH THAT, I THINK WE CAN  
25   PROCEED. THERE ARE PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND WE CAN GO ACCORDINGLY.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WOULD LIKE TO, IF YOU CAN LIMIT YOUR  
7 COMMENTS TO A MINUTE, WE'LL BE A LITTLE FLEXIBLE ON THAT. BUT  
8 WE HAVE A LOT OF SPEAKERS SIGNED UP ON THIS. AND MOST ARE  
9 ADVOCATING THE SAME POSITION.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THERE ARE ABOUT 15, ARE THERE NOT,  
12 MR. CHAIRMAN?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AT LEAST.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO LET'S PROCEED.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SCOTT MALSIN, COUNCILMEMBER, CITY  
19 OF CULVER CITY. GARY SILBIGER. REBECCA BERNAL WILL BE THE  
20 FIRST THREE. AND ANGUS ALEXANDER, THE FIRST FOUR. AND AS YOU  
21 ARE FINISHED YOUR TESTIMONY, I WILL CALL UP OTHERS TO TAKE  
22 YOUR SEATS. THANK YOU. SCOTT, HOW ARE YOU DOING, SIR?

23

24 **SCOTT MALSIN:** THANK YOU, CHAIR KNABE. GOOD MORNING,  
25 SUPERVISORS. I'M COUNCILMEMBER SCOTT MALSIN FROM THE CITY OF





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1 CULVER CITY, AND I'M HERE TO PRESENT A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY  
2 THE CITY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
3 THOMAS'S MOTION. CULVER CITY HAS HAD A LONG-STANDING INTEREST  
4 IN ENSURING THE SAFE OPERATIONS OF THE OIL FIELDS BOTH WITHIN  
5 AND OUTSIDE OUR BORDERS. AND THAT CONCERN IS SHARED BY MANY  
6 WHO LIVE AND WORK IN NEIGHBORHOODS ADJACENT TO THOSE OIL  
7 FIELDS. WHILE WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS THE COUNTY MADE TO  
8 DEVELOP THE REGULATIONS YOU ADOPTED LAST OCTOBER, WE DO NOT  
9 BELIEVE THOSE REGULATIONS ARE SUFFICIENT TO PROTECT AND  
10 PROMOTE THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF LOS  
11 ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE CONFIDENT IT IS POSSIBLE TO CRAFT  
12 REGULATIONS THAT WILL ALLOW OIL DRILLING OPERATIONS TO COEXIST  
13 SAFELY IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND WE ARE READY TO SUPPORT THE  
14 COUNTY IN ITS EFFORTS TO DO SO. THEREFORE, WE THANK YOU FOR  
15 YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM AND URGE YOU TO ADOPT THE  
16 MOTION.

17  
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

19  
20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXCELLENT.

21  
22 **GARY SILBIGER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS GARY SILBIGER, ONE OF  
23 THE COUNCIL MEMBERS IN CULVER CITY AND ONE OF TWO MEMBERS OF  
24 CULVER CITY'S OIL DRILLING AND COMMITTEE STANDARDS DISTRICT  
25 COMMITTEE IN CULVER CITY. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MARK



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1 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION TO AMEND THE BALDWIN  
2 HILLS COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. WE ALL KNOW, AS LOCAL  
3 OFFICIALS, THAT IT'S THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH AND SAFETY THAT'S  
4 PRIMARY IN ALL THESE TYPES OF CONCERNS. WE HAVE A COMMUNITY  
5 STANDARDS DISTRICT THAT HAS NOT ADEQUATELY TAKEN INTO  
6 CONSIDERATION THOSE VERY IMPORTANT ISSUES. WE SEE HEALTHCARE  
7 ON THE AGENDA, BOTH LOCALLY AND STATEWIDE AND NATIONALLY, BUT  
8 IN ADDITION TO HAVING HEALTH CARE FOR ALL THE RESIDENTS, WE  
9 ALSO NEED TO PREVENT HEALTH PROBLEMS FROM OCCURRING. WITH YOUR  
10 HELP, WE CAN ENSURE THAT WE HAVE A HEALTHY COUNTY. BY PASSING  
11 THIS MOTION TODAY, WE WILL BRING BACK THE TYPE OF CONCERN THAT  
12 THE COUNTY DESERVES. AND SO PLEASE JOIN US. YOU REMEMBER LAST  
13 TIME MANY OF US WERE HERE, THE ROOM WAS FILLED TO CAPACITY. WE  
14 ASK YOU NOW TO JOIN US, JOIN YOUR RESIDENTS IN PASSING THIS  
15 VERY IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16  
17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD ASK THAT MARTIN SCHLAGETER, I  
18 APOLOGIZE IF I MESS THESE UP TOO BAD. ZOE RAWSON.

19  
20 **REBECCA BERNAL:** HI, I'M REBECCA BERNAL, I'M THE DISTRICT  
21 REPRESENTATIVE FOR STATE SENATOR CURREN D. PRICE, JR. OF THE  
22 26TH SENATE DISTRICT, WHICH BALDWIN HILLS COMMUNITY STANDARDS  
23 DISTRICT IS LOCATED WITHIN. AND AS SUCH, ON BEHALF OF THE  
24 SENATOR, I CANNOT STATE MORE CLEARLY THE IMPORTANCE OF A  
25 THOROUGH AND RESPONSIVE REVIEW OF THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ANY



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1 PROPOSED OIL DRILLING MAY HAVE ON THE CONSTITUENTS LIVING IN  
2 THE AREA. LEGITIMATE CONCERNS HAVE BEEN RAISED ABOUT WHETHER  
3 THE CURRENT C.S.D. CONDITIONS GO FAR ENOUGH TO MITIGATE THE  
4 SIGHT, SOUND, SMELL AND SAFETY IMPACTS THAT HAVE BEEN AND  
5 CONTINUE TO BE CAUSED BY THE DRILLING FOR OIL IN THE GENERAL  
6 AREAS OF BALDWIN HILLS, LADERA HEIGHTS, AND CULVER CITY. FOR  
7 EXAMPLE, THERE ARE MANY UNRESOLVED ISSUES INVOLVING THE IMPACT  
8 OF THE INJECTION DRILLING, THE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND SITES  
9 DRILLING IN THE C.S.D., THE LANDSCAPE PLAN AND ABOVE ALL ELSE,  
10 THE ADEQUACY OF THE REQUIRED HEALTH STUDIES AND MITIGATION.  
11 THE FOUR LAWSUITS INVOLVING THE PROPOSED C.S.D. RAISE SOME  
12 VERY SERIOUS QUESTIONS AND FURTHER REFLECT THE NEED TO RE-  
13 EXAMINE THE C.S.D. CONDITIONS. I APPLAUD YOUR EFFORTS TO RE-  
14 EXAMINE THESE ISSUES, AMONGST OTHERS. AND ON BEHALF OF SENATOR  
15 PRICE, I ASK FOR YOUR FULL SUPPORT OF THE MOTION. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **ANGUS ALEXANDER:** MY NAME IS ANGUS ALEXANDER. I'M A CAPTAIN  
20 WITH OCEAN LIFEGUARD. I KNOW MANY OF YOU THROUGH \_\_\_\_\_  
21 LIFEGUARD ASSOCIATION. I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE SANTA MONICA  
22 BAY RESTORATION COMMISSION, THE GOVERNING BOARD. I'M ALSO A  
23 INTERNATIONAL TSUNAMI EXPERT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL TSUNAMI  
24 SOCIETY AND A MEMBER OF THE L.A. COUNTY TSUNAMI TASKFORCE. I  
25 COME TO YOU AS AN EXPERT ON MANY DIFFERENT FIELDS ON THIS



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1 SUBJECT, OF THAT, INCLUDING WATER QUALITY AND EARTHQUAKE  
2 INFORMATION. I'VE REVIEWED THIS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
3 AND THERE'S MORE HOLES IN IT THAN THE OIL FIELD ITSELF.  
4 THERE'S ALL KINDS OF MISSING APPENDIXES THAT I WAS NOT PRIVY  
5 TO OR BEEN ABLE TO REVIEW PRIOR TO THE VOTE, THE LAST VOTE OF  
6 THE SUPERVISOR BURKE. I'D LIKE TO SEE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT  
7 REPORT REVIEWED AGAIN AND THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED. THERE ARE A  
8 NUMBER OF REQUESTS THAT I HAVE AND CONCERNS ON LIFE, PROPERTY,  
9 AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. MY REQUESTS ARE TO REWRITE THE  
10 ENTIRE SECTION AND DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH ORIGINAL  
11 REGULATIONS, CURRENT REGULATIONS, AND CURRENT STANDARDS OF THE  
12 INDUSTRY AND INSURANCE UNDERWRITER REQUIREMENTS AGAINST  
13 SPILLAGE, FIRES, EXPLOSION AND TOXIC RELEASES. AND I ALSO  
14 REQUEST THAT COMPLETELY AND TOTALLY REVIEW, REVISE AND UPGRADE  
15 SEISMIC, SPILLAGE, FIRE EXPLOSION RISKS AND SAFETY MEASURES  
16 ARE REQUIRED, ESPECIALLY DURING THE FOLLOWING "BIG ONE" ON THE  
17 BALDWIN HILLS, SAY A 7.43 RICHTER AT FOUR MILES AND ONE MILE  
18 DEPTH. AS A TSUNAMI EXPERT, IT ONLY TAKES AN EARTHQUAKE OF 6.5  
19 OR GREATER TO CAUSE A LANDSLIDE. IN 1998 PAPUA, NEW GUINEA  
20 EXPERIENCED THE EXACT SAME SIMILAR SITUATION AS WE EXPERIENCED  
21 HERE WHICH LAUNCHED OUR TSUNAMI TASKFORCE.

22  
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN YOU WRAP IT UP?



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1   **ANGUS ALEXANDER:** YES, SIR. I FEAR THAT THE BOARD NEEDS TO LOOK  
2   INTO THIS MATTER THOROUGHLY, AND AFRAID THERE JUST MIGHT BE  
3   ANOTHER LAYER OF BUREAUCRACY ON TOP OF THIS WITH ALREADY  
4   OVEREXTENDED RESOURCES. THANK YOU.

5

6   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY, I WOULD ASK  
7   THAT GRACE ELLIOTT AND KIM KUTCHER JOIN US.

8

9   **MARTIN SCHLAGETER:** I'M MARTIN SCHLAGETER WITH THE COALITION  
10   FOR CLEAN AIR AND I APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF  
11   THIS ITEM TODAY. WE'RE HERE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. AND  
12   WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THE FINDINGS OF THIS  
13   STUDY, AND MAY THEY COME BACK EXPEDITIOUSLY AND HELP US GET  
14   BACK ON THE RIGHT TRACK ON THIS MATTER. I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME  
15   AND YOUR CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU.

16

17   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SANDRA HAMLAT, IF YOU'D JOIN  
18   US, PLEASE?

19

20   **ZOE RAWSON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ZOE RAWSON. I'M HERE ON  
21   BEHALF OF THE CITY PROJECT. WE ARE A NONPROFIT ADVOCACY  
22   ORGANIZATION. WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION,  
23   SPECIFICALLY THE PROPOSAL FOR STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
24   MEASURES CONTAINED IN THE MOTION, AS WELL AS A FAIR  
25   OPPORTUNITY FOR PARTICIPATION BY THE PUBLIC. THE CITY PROJECT



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1 PARTICIPATES ON THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL CREATED BY THE  
2 C.S.D. WE REPRESENT CONCERNED CITIZENS OF SOUTH CENTRAL LOS  
3 ANGELES IN PENDING LITIGATION. AND WE ARE FULLY PREPARED TO  
4 CONTINUE TO ENGAGE IN THE PROCESS AND TO ASSIST THE BOARD OF  
5 SUPERVISORS IN CREATING THE C.S.D. THAT WAS PROMISED TO THE  
6 COMMUNITY. SO THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DAMON NAGAMI, IF YOU'D JOIN  
9 US, PLEASE? GRACE?

10

11 **GRACE ELLIOTT:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS GRACE  
12 ELLIOTT. I'M 44, AND I HAVE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS. I'VE LIVED AT  
13 THE FOOT OF THE BALDWIN HILLS IN CULVER CITY ON NORTHGATE  
14 STREET FOR 14 YEARS. DURING THAT TIME, MY M.S. HAS WORSENER.  
15 ON MY BLOCK ALONE, 11 NEIGHBORS HAVE HAD MISCARRIAGES. ALL ARE  
16 HEALTHY WOMEN OF CHILD BEARING AGE. ANOTHER TWO HAD ECTOPIC  
17 PREGNANCIES AND HAD TO HAVE ABORTIONS OR THEY WOULD HAVE DIED.  
18 GIVEN THESE INSTANCES OF REPRODUCTIVE DISORDERS AND OTHER  
19 LIFE-THREATENING DISEASES THAT PEOPLE SUFFER FROM WHO LIVE IN  
20 CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE OIL FIELDS, I COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR  
21 SUPPORTING THE MOTION TO AMEND THE C.S.D., TO ENSURE THE  
22 ADEQUACY OF THE REQUIRED HEALTH STUDIES. AS I READ P.X.P.'S  
23 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY, WHICH I LEAVE WITH YOU  
24 A COPY, I CAN SEE THAT EVEN P.X.P.'S CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT, AND  
25 C.E.O. SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THE VERY FIRST POINT, DR. JAMES



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1 FLORES MAKES IS THAT HIS CORPORATION, WHICH IS P.X.P., WILL  
2 RECOGNIZE THAT NO BUSINESS OBJECTIVE IS SO IMPORTANT THAT IT  
3 WILL BE PURSUED AT THE EXPENSE OF SAFETY, HEALTH AND THE  
4 ENVIRONMENT. HOPEFULLY AS A GOOD NEIGHBOR, P.X.P. CAN FUND THE  
5 COUNTY TO CONDUCT A THOROUGH, INDEPENDENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT  
6 DONE BY A CONSULTANT CHOSEN WITH THE COMMUNITY INPUT TO HELP  
7 US DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THESE DISPROPORTIONATE HEALTH  
8 INCIDENTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EDDIE JONES?

15

16 **KEN KUTCHER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. KEN KUTCHER OF CULVER  
17 CREST. AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
18 THOMAS'S MOTION. I'M ONE OF THE LAWYERS INVOLVED IN THE  
19 LITIGATION OVER THE BALDWIN HILLS E.I.R. AND C.S.D. THERE ARE  
20 FOUR CASES THAT HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED BY THE SUPERIOR COURT  
21 IN THAT MATTER. THE PETITIONERS ARE A BROAD ARRAY, INCLUDING  
22 THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS, NATURAL  
23 RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, AND VARIOUS OTHER RESIDENTS AND  
24 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. AND TRIAL IS SET FOR NOVEMBER. AS THE  
25 SUPERVISOR STATES IN HIS MOTION, THE FACT THAT THIS LITIGATION





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1 IS PENDING, THERE'S FOUR CASES INVOLVED, DIVERSE PARTIES  
2 LITIGATING THESE MATTERS, THOSE DEMONSTRATE THE ONGOING  
3 CONCERNS ABOUT THE C.S.D. AS ADOPTED. AND I CAN ASSURE YOU  
4 THAT THE INTEREST IN RESOLVING THESE MATTERS REMAINS KEEN. IN  
5 ADDITION TO SUPPORTING THE MOTION, I THINK IT REPRESENTS AN  
6 IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY TO TRY AND REACH CONSENSUS OVER THE  
7 ACTIVITIES IN THE OIL FIELD. AND WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT. I'D  
8 LIKE TO TAKE A BRIEF MOMENT TO THANK PLANNING STAFF,  
9 PARTICULARLY LEON FREEMAN WHO HAS HAD THE THANKLESS TASK OF  
10 SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL CALLED THE CAP. AND WE  
11 APPRECIATE HIS EFFORTS. AND ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE RIDLEY-THOMAS'S  
12 STAFF SUPPORT, AND IN PARTICULAR, CARLY CATONA'S EFFORTS TO  
13 KEEP MONITORING THESE MATTERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. CLYDE WILLIAMS, IF  
16 YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE.

17

18 **SANDRA HAMLAT:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M SANDRA HAMLAT  
19 AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE GREATER BALDWIN HILLS  
20 ALLIANCE THIS MORNING. AND I WANTED TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR PERFORMING DUE DILIGENCE, CONSIDERING  
22 AMENDING THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. IN PARTICULAR, I'M  
23 GLAD THAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT ESTABLISHING AN END DATE FOR THE  
24 DRILLING AND IMMEDIATELY LOOKING AT RESTORING THE VEGETATION  
25 AND INSURING ADEQUATE HEALTH STUDIES. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE



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1 THESE ACTIONS HAPPEN UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP AND UNDER YOUR  
2 WATCH. SO THANK YOU FOR AMENDING THE C.S.D.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SALLY HAMPTON?

5

6 **DAMON NAGAMI:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAMON NAGAMI, AND I'M A  
7 STAFF ATTORNEY WITH THE NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNSEL.  
8 N.R.D.C. IS A NATIONAL NONPROFIT ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION  
9 WITH A STAFF OF OVER 300 SCIENTISTS, LAWYERS AND OTHER  
10 ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONALS AND OVER 300,000 MEMBERS IN  
11 CALIFORNIA. WE'RE PART OF THE GREATER BALDWIN HILLS ALLIANCE  
12 AND WE'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE MATTER FOR OVER A YEAR AND A  
13 HALF. FROM THE BEGINNING, WE'VE SUPPORTED THE COMMUNITIES  
14 SURROUNDING THE BALDWIN HILLS IN THEIR QUEST TO HAVE A C.S.D.  
15 THAT ACTUALLY MEETS THE COMMUNITY'S STANDARDS. WHAT WE'RE  
16 LOOKING FOR IS A SET OF COMMON SENSE REGULATIONS THAT OFFERS  
17 ADEQUATE HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTECTIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY. THE  
18 C.S.D., IN ITS CURRENT FORM, FALLS SHORT OF THAT GOAL. THAT'S  
19 WHY WE COMMEND AND THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR PUTTING  
20 FORTH THIS MOTION TO CONSIDER REOPENING AND AMENDING THE  
21 C.S.D., AND WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PASS THIS  
22 MOTION WITHOUT DELAY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE  
23 COUNTY IN A CONSTRUCTIVE FASHION TO TRY AND RESOLVE THE  
24 COMMUNITY'S OUTSTANDING CONCERNS ABOUT THE C.S.D. THANK YOU.  
25 [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TOM WILLIAMS?

3

4 **EDDIE JONES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. MY NAME IS EDDIE JONES,  
5 PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CIVIL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION. I LIVE  
6 IN BALDWIN HILLS. AND THOSE FUMES ARE EXTREMELY SERIOUS. THE  
7 PEOPLE THAT LIVE UP THERE HAVE EMAILED ME AND CALLED ME. AND  
8 THEY TALK ABOUT ASTHMA, COUGHING, BRONCHITIS, AND OTHER  
9 THINGS. BUT I'M GLAD THAT THERE'S WORK BEING DONE ON THIS VERY  
10 SERIOUS SITUATION FOR THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THAT COMMUNITY.  
11 THE CONSTITUENTS AND THE STAKEHOLDERS THAT LIVE IN THAT  
12 COMMUNITY ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT. AND IT'S A  
13 PLACE WHERE PEOPLE LIVE AND RAISE THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR  
14 FAMILIES. IF YOU LIVE CLOSE TO THERE, YOU'LL UNDERSTAND  
15 EXACTLY WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. BUT IF YOU DON'T LIVE THERE,  
16 THEN YOU REALLY CAN'T UNDERSTAND. SO WHAT I'M ASKING TODAY:  
17 CONTINUE TO ANALYZE AND EVALUATE EVERY CRITERIA OF WHAT YOU'RE  
18 PRODUCING AND MAKE SURE THAT IT'S INVESTIGATED TO THE POINT TO  
19 WHERE THE FAMILIES THAT LIVE THERE GET THE JUSTICE THAT THEY  
20 DESERVE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. (APPLAUSE.) PLEASE. THANK  
23 YOU. GWENDOLYN FLYNN, IF YOU'D JOIN US US.

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1 **CLYDE WILLIAMS:** DR. CLYDE WILLIAMS, BEAR ROAD, DISTRICT 1. I'M  
2 COMMENTING BASED UPON SEVERAL YEARS, OR 40 YEARS OF OIL AND  
3 GAS EXPERIENCE. I'VE WORKED FOR ALL OF THE MAJOR -- MANY OF  
4 THE MAJOR OIL COMPANIES AND SUCH AND HAVE REVIEWED THE C.S.D.  
5 AS IT WAS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED AND FINALLY SUBMITTED. I WOULD  
6 HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT THERE'S MORE THAN HOLES. IT IS ONE HOLE,  
7 RATHER THAN A THOUSAND HOLES. AND STRONGLY SUPPORT THE  
8 RESOLUTION TO REVIEW IT AND OPEN IT UP TO NEW COMMENTS. I HAVE  
9 HAD SOME EXPERIENCE DIRECTLY WITH THE ROSS DRESS FOR LESS GAS  
10 EXPLOSION, WHERE THE L.A. FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED ME IN TO HELP  
11 CONTROL GAS THAT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR GETTING 22 PEOPLE IN THE  
12 HOSPITAL DUE TO BAD OPERATIONS OF THE LA BREA, SALT LAKE OIL  
13 FIELD. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I THINK IT'S DR. KHIN KHIN  
16 [GYI], IF I SAY THAT CORRECTLY, JOIN US, PLEASE? NEXT?

17

18 **SALLY HAMPTON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SALLY  
19 HAMPTON AND ON BEHALF OF WINTER HILLS, WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT  
20 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND  
21 SAFETY OF HIS CONSTITUENTS. AND AT THIS TIME, I WOULD ALSO  
22 LIKE ALL OF THOSE WHO ARE IN FAVOR TO PLEASE STAND? VERY  
23 QUICKLY SINCE WE GOT ONE MINUTE. WE DO NEED MORE CLARIFICATION  
24 AND FOR ALL THE INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN LACKING IN ORDER TO  
25 MAKE FULLY INFORMED DECISIONS REGARDING OUR HEALTH AND SAFETY



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1 WHEN EXPANDING OPERATIONS IN THIS PARTICULAR FIELD IN THE  
2 HEART OF THE VERY HEAVILY POPULATED, URBAN SCENARIO, AREA, AND  
3 PUBLIC SAFETY MUST BE PUT BEFORE THE P.X.P. IS ALLOWED TO  
4 PROCEED. I ALSO WANTED TO POINT OUT THAT IN AN ARTICLE, WHICH  
5 I ATTACHED TO A VERY DETAILED LETTER, HYDRAULIC FRACTURING HAS  
6 BEEN UTILIZED IN THE BALDWIN HILLS OIL FIELD. AND THIS IS  
7 PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT TO POINT OUT WHEN OUR STATE IS FACING A  
8 WATER CRISIS, AS THIS TYPE OF PRESSURIZING CAN CAUSE THE  
9 MIGRATION OF POLLUTANTS AND PUT OUR WATER SUPPLY AT RISK. AND  
10 I WOULD SAY THAT WHILE SOME MAY FIND IT NECESSARY TO EXTRACT  
11 OIL, IT SHOULDN'T BE AT THE EXPENSE OF OUR WATER, DRINKING  
12 WATER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE. PLEASE, THE RULES OF THE BOARD,  
15 JUST SO YOU KNOW, THE RULES OF THE BOARD DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE  
16 EITHER FOR OR AGAINST. AND SO WE JUST ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON  
17 THAT. DIANE SHER, IF YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE? DIANE? AND KAYPERS  
18 JACKSON, IF YOU'D JOIN US.

19

20 **GWENDOLYN FLYNN:** GOOD DAY, CHAIR, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
21 AND SUPERVISORS ALL. MY NAME IS GWENDOLYN FLYNN, I AM THE  
22 POLICY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AND EDUCATION POLICY  
23 DIRECTOR WITH COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS. WE'RE A NONPROFIT  
24 HEALTH PROMOTION HEALTH POLICY ORGANIZATION IN SOUTH LOS  
25 ANGELES. WE ARE MEMBERS OF THE GREATER BALDWIN HILLS ALLIANCE



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1 AND HAVE A SEAT ON THE BALDWIN HILLS COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL,  
2 WHICH WAS CREATED BY THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. WE  
3 COMMEND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IN BRINGING FORWARD A MOTION  
4 TO AMEND THE BALDWIN HILLS C.S.D. ZONING ORDINANCE. I WILL  
5 SIMPLY SAY THAT OUR CONCERNS CENTER AROUND THE  
6 DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH RATES OF CANCER, ASTHMA AND OTHER  
7 CHRONIC RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS IN THE REGIONS SURROUNDING THE  
8 OIL FIELDS. AND WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE MOTION, WHICH INCLUDES  
9 INSURING THE ADEQUACY OF THE REQUIRED BASELINE HEALTH STUDIES  
10 SUCH THAT HEALTH DISPARITIES ARE NOT COMPOUNDED BY ACTIVITIES  
11 RELATED TO THE OIL DRILLING. SO WE STRONGLY URGE FULL SUPPORT  
12 OF THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I WOULD ASK DAMIEN GOODMON TO  
15 JOIN US, PLEASE? DOCTOR?

16

17 **DR. KHIN KHIN GYI:** MY NAME IS DR. GYI. I'M HERE AS A RESIDENT  
18 OF CULVER CREST. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
19 THOMAS'S MOTION. I'M ALSO HERE AS A NEUROLOGIST WITH 20 YEARS  
20 OF PRACTICE UNDER MY BELT. BASICALLY I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL  
21 FOR GIVING US AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOICE OUR CONCERNS IN OUR  
22 NEIGHBORHOOD AND ON OUR STREET, WHICH IS KILMORE STREET IN  
23 CULVER CREST. WE ARE AWARE OF TWO CASES OF BREAST CANCER AND  
24 ONE CASE OF A FOUR-YEAR-OLD TODDLER WHO HAS HAD THREE  
25 SEIZURES. THIS PARTICULAR TODDLER HAS ALSO BEEN NOTED WITH



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1 DELAYED DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES. SO THIS IS MORE THAN  
2 COINCIDENCE FOR ONE STREET. AND WE ARE CONCERNED THAT SAFETY  
3 MEASURES AND SURVEYS HAVE NOT BEEN PERFORMED YET WITH REGARD  
4 TO PUMPING OIL IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. TO CONTINUE THIS PROCESS  
5 OF DRILLING OIL IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WITHOUT CONDUCTING AN  
6 EPIDEMIOLOGIC SURVEY AND IMPLEMENTING HEALTH OR SAFETY  
7 MEASURES IS UNETHICAL, IRRESPONSIBLE AND UNCONSCIONABLE. SO WE  
8 WOULD APPRECIATE ANY HELP THAT YOU COULD PROVIDE US IN MAKING  
9 SURE THAT THESE HEALTH STUDIES ARE PERFORMED. THANK YOU VERY  
10 MUCH.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. DIANE?

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14 **DIANE SHER:** YEP. MY NAME IS DIANE SHER. I LIVE IN WESTCHESTER,  
15 WHICH IS ABOUT A MILE, LESS THAN A MILE AND A HALF FROM THE  
16 OIL FIELDS. ONCE AGAIN, I DON'T KNOW WHY ANYONE ELSE IN MY  
17 NEIGHBORHOOD IS NOT INVOLVED OR ENGAGED IN THIS PROCESS. WHEN  
18 THE SANTA ANA WINDS BLOW IN, WE GET THE FUMES COMING STRAIGHT  
19 OFF THE OIL FIELDS. AND BECAUSE WE'RE NEAR THE AIRPORT, I USED  
20 TO ASSUME IT WAS FROM THE AIRPORT. BUT NOW I REALIZE WE'RE  
21 GETTING THE FUMES FROM THE AIRPORT, SO THERE'S ALSO THAT  
22 MEDICAL CONCERN. BUT I MUST SAY, I'M BEWILDERED BY THIS ENTIRE  
23 PROCESS. I WENT TO THE SCOPING MEETING FOR THE E.I.R. AND  
24 THERE WERE ALL OF US 10 OF US IN THIS ROOM AND THERE'S THESE  
25 HUGE AMOUNTS OF PEOPLE, AND FOUR LAWSUITS, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS





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1 HELD IN PLACES THAT MASS TRANSIT CANNOT REACH. I USE MASS  
2 TRANSIT EXCLUSIVELY. AND I WOULD TAKE ISSUE WITH THE WORDING  
3 OF YOUR POINT A, BECAUSE THAT, THE WAY IT'S WRITTEN, CAN BE  
4 INTERPRETED IN EITHER DIRECTION. AND IF WE DID ACCOMPLISH  
5 ANYTHING WITH THE EXISTING E.I.R. C.D.C., WE DO HAVE A TOP  
6 NUMBER. THE LANGUAGE IN YOUR FIRST SENTENCE A, MY  
7 RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE TO NOT BE SO LOOSE WITH THAT ONE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. JACKSON.

10

11 **KAYPERS JACKSON:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. I'M KAYPERS JACKSON,  
12 AND I'M A LONG-TERM RESIDENT OF THE VIEW PARK BALDWIN HILLS  
13 AREA. I 100 PERCENT SUPPORT AND REQUEST THAT YOU ALSO SUPPORT  
14 MR. THOMAS'S MOTION. VIEW PARK, BALDWIN HILLS AREA HAS BEEN  
15 KNOWN TO BE A VERY GREAT PLACE TO LIVE. HOWEVER, SINCE THIS  
16 OIL DRILLING HAS TAKEN PLACE, IT'S BECOME KNOWN AS THE PLACE  
17 WHERE OIL DRILLS ARE. WE REALLY DON'T KNOW THE REAL IMPACT OF  
18 THIS OIL DRILLING ON THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ITS CITIZENS.  
19 BUT AS A REAL ESTATE INVESTOR, I CAN DEFINITELY TELL YOU THAT  
20 IT'S HAD A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND THE  
21 PROPERTY VALUES. IN CLOSING, I HAVE BEEN ADVOCATING THAT THE  
22 CITIZENS WITHHOLD PROPERTY TAXES, BUT THAT HAS NOT BEEN TALKED  
23 ABOUT. SO TODAY, I JUST SIMPLY URGE YOU TO PASS MR. THOMAS'  
24 MOTION. THANK YOU.

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1   **DAMIEN GOODMON:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MY NAME IS DAMIEN GOODMON. I  
2   LEAD MANY COMMUNITY GROUPS, I'M ALSO ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD  
3   COUNCIL WHICH REPRESENTS THE AREA OF BALDWIN HILLS, BALDWIN  
4   VISTA, THE AREA DIRECTLY ADJACENT TO THE OIL FIELD. BOARD  
5   MEMBERS, THIS IS A NO BRAINER. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
6   RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THE REST OF THE SUPERVISORS WHO SUPPORT HIS  
7   MOTION FOR TAKING THIS ACTION. IN THE PREVIOUS DISCUSSION,  
8   SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SAID THAT HE DIDN'T WANT TO SEE ONE  
9   CHILD DIE FROM NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THIS BOARD AND THE  
10   AGENCIES WHICH ARE RESPONSIBLE TO IT. THIS TYPE OF ACTION WILL  
11   PREVENT WHAT IS OCCURRING ALREADY FROM OCCURRING IN THE  
12   FUTURE. WE NEED YOUR HELP. WE ARE DYING NOW. WE ARE GETTING  
13   SICK NOW. AND WE NEED TO HEAR AND WE NEED INPUT FROM  
14   INDEPENDENT OIL AND GAS EXPERTS THAT HAVE SUFFICIENT  
15   EXPERIENCE IN THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY SO THAT WE CAN PROPERLY  
16   ASSESS THEIR FUTURE PLANS AND THE IMPACTS ON US. THANK YOU.  
17   [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THAT COMPLETES THE  
18   PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

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20   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIR. (OFF  
21   MIC COMMENTS).

22

23   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHO IS THAT? I DON'T HAVE A -- I CALLED  
24   A TOM WILLIAMS WHO DIDN'T REPLY. BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER  
25   CARDS.



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2 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I HAVE A CARD FOR GARY GLESS, MR.  
3 CHAIR IF YOU'D AFFORD HIM AN OPPORTUNITY TO COME AND MAKE HIS  
4 --

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SURE. I JUST DON'T HAVE A CARD, THAT'S  
7 WHY I DIDN'T CALL.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. MR. GLESS, FOR FUTURE  
10 REFERENCE, PLEASE DO NOT HIDE YOUR CARD FROM THE CHAIR. THANK  
11 YOU VERY MUCH. [LAUGHTER.]

12

13 **GARY GLESS:** WELL, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR  
14 GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY. MY NAME IS GARY GLESS, I'M THE  
15 PRESIDENT OF THE CITIZEN'S COALITION FOR A SAFE COMMUNITY. I  
16 WOULD LIKE TO URGE YOU TO SUPPORT MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION  
17 BEFORE YOU TO INITIATE A STUDY TO CONSIDER AMENDING THE  
18 COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT IN THE BALDWIN HILLS OIL FIELD.  
19 THE HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT IN AND AROUND THE OIL  
20 FIELD CONTINUES TO BE FELT BY THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. AND  
21 HEALTH RISKS NEED TO BE GIVEN PRIORITY AND SHOULD BE GIVEN --  
22 BE FULLY EVALUATED. TO BE BRIEF, I HAVE SUBMITTED A LETTER FOR  
23 YOUR CONSIDERATION. WE ALL WOULD LIKE TO THANK MARK RIDLEY-  
24 THOMAS FOR HIS LEADERSHIP IN ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE THAT IS SO  
25 IMPORTANT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY AND THE



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1 SUPERVISORS SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDATION. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR  
2 ALLOWING ME TO COME UP HERE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO PROBLEM. SORRY I DIDN'T GET YOUR  
5 CARD. I THINK RIDLEY-THOMAS, HE HID IT FROM ME.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT THAT.

8 [LAUGHTER.]

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I THINK THE MATTER IS  
13 REASONABLY STRAIGHTFORWARD. I COMPLIMENT THE PERSONS WHO CAME  
14 TO TESTIFY TO CLARIFY THEIR RESPECTIVE POSITIONS ON THIS.

15 THERE IS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF WORK TO BE DONE, MR.

16 CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES. THE BOTTOM LINE IS THERE'S UNFINISHED  
17 WORK. THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE STAKEHOLDERS, THE COMMUNITIES  
18 OF BALDWIN HILLS, BALDWIN VISTA, VIEW PARK, WINDSOR HILLS,

19 CULVER CITY, LADERA HEIGHTS AND MORE IS LITERALLY IN PLAY

20 AND/OR AT STAKE. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, IT

21 SEEMS TO ME THAT WE ARE DUTY BOUND TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. THE

22 THRUST OF THIS MOTION IS TO TAKE AN APPROPRIATE LOOK AT

23 AMENDING THE ORDINANCE WITH THE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE IN MIND OF

24 ATTENDING TO THOSE MATTERS THAT WERE NOT ADEQUATELY ATTENDED

25 TO IN THE FIRST ROUND OF THIS EFFORT. IT HAS BEEN WELL-



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1 ARTICULATED IN THE CONTEXT OF THE MOTION AS TO WHAT COULD AND  
2 SHOULD HAPPEN WITH RESPECT TO IMPOSING CONTROLS REGARDING THE  
3 ABANDONMENT OF WELLS PER YEAR OVERALL, CONSIDERED THE  
4 ESTABLISHING OF AN END DAY FOR DRILLING, THE POSSIBILITY OF  
5 UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL SERVICE, THE POSSIBILITY OF  
6 UNDERGROUNDING OR PIPING, PROVIDING FOR IMMEDIATE RESTORATION  
7 OF VEGETATION AND TOPOGRAPHY AND INSURING THE ADEQUACY OF THE  
8 REQUIRED HEALTH STUDIES. MR. CHAIRMAN, I CHOOSE NOT TO  
9 REHEARSE THE PAST. I AM FOCUSED ON THE FUTURE WITH THE BALANCE  
10 OF THE BOARD TO MAKE RIGHT THAT WHICH CAN BE MADE RIGHT IN THE  
11 INSTANCE OF THIS COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. WITH THAT IN  
12 MIND, MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT I WOULD TRUST  
13 THAT ALL OF YOU WOULD BE SUPPORTIVE OF THIS EFFORT. IT IS ONLY  
14 RIGHT THAT WE DO RIGHT BY THE STAKEHOLDERS IN THESE  
15 COMMUNITIES AS THEY HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO MAKE THEIR  
16 COMMUNITY THE KIND OF COMMUNITIES OF WHICH ALL OF US WOULD BE  
17 PROUD. AND ANY CORPORATE INTEREST THAT IS NOT A GOOD CITIZEN  
18 OUGHT TO BE OBLIGED OR COMPELLED TO ESSENTIALLY COEXIST  
19 CONSISTENT WITH THE HIGHEST STANDARDS POSSIBLE OF  
20 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND THE PROTECTION OF THOSE WHO ARE IN  
21 THAT ENVIRONMENT, AS WELL. WITH THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN, I WILL  
22 CONCLUDE MY REMARKS AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR UNANIMOUS  
23 VOTE.  
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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR, THE ONE QUESTION I  
2   HAVE, I'LL SECOND THE MOTION, BUT THE ONE QUESTION I DO HAVE  
3   IS -- I HAVE TWO. ONE FOR THE ATTORNEY. DOES THIS CONFLICT  
4   WITH ANY LITIGATION THAT'S GOING ON OUT THERE?

5

6   **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
7   NO, IT IS NOT. YOUR BOARD IS WITHIN ITS RIGHTS TO INITIATE AN  
8   ADDITIONAL STUDY.

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10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEN THE SECOND PIECE OF THAT,  
11   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, IS I UNDERSTAND THE CONSULTANT  
12   PIECE, BUT HOW WILL THAT BE PAID FOR? I MEAN ONE OF THE  
13   CONCERNS I THINK I HAVE, I DON'T KNOW IF THE OTHER MEMBERS DO,  
14   IS THAT IF YOU EXPECT IT TO COME OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT'S  
15   BUDGET THAT'S GOING TO IMPACT THE PLANNING PROCESS FOR THE  
16   ENTIRE COUNTY BECAUSE THIS IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT EFFORT. SO  
17   ANY IDEA?

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19   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. AND THAT'S WHY THE AMENDING LANGUAGE  
20   ADDRESSES THAT IF SUCH SHOULD BE THE CASE IN TERMS OF NET  
21   COUNTY COST, IT WOULD COME BACK TO THE BOARD FOR REVIEW. MR.  
22   CHAIR, THERE ARE OTHER RESOURCES AT OUR DISPOSAL THAT CAN MOVE  
23   THIS PROCESS FORWARD. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE,  
24   I THINK WE SHOULD BE IN REASONABLY GOOD SHAPE. AND THAT WILL  
25   BE DONE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IN OTHER WORDS, IF THE  
3 RECOMMENDATION IS TO COME OUT OF DEPARTMENTS, PLANNING AND  
4 BUDGET, THEN IT SHOULD COME BACK TO THE BOARD.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXACTLY.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE THAT WOULD HAVE AN IMPACT  
9 COUNTY-WIDE AND A MULTITUDE OF PLANNING EFFORTS THAT ARE GOING  
10 ON.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THAT'S IN THE MOTION.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. OKAY, WITH THAT, IT'S  
15 BEEN MOVED, IT'S BEEN SECONDED. ANY OBJECTIONS? SO ORDERED.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 1?

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING  
22 DOWN.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NO. 1?

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DR. CLAVREUL, ITEM NO. 1?

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3    **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
4    DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. WELL YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT THE  
5    H.I.V. COMMISSION AND THEM ELECTING THEIR OWN INDIVIDUALS. AS  
6    USUAL, YOU KNOW, THEY ARE INVOLVED WITH THE COMMISSION EITHER  
7    RECEIVING THE CARE OR PROVIDING THE CARE OR WORKING WITH  
8    O.A.P.P., DEFINITELY A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. BUT BUT ONE DAY  
9    YOU WILL DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. AND THAT'S ALL I HAD TO SAY  
10   ABOUT IT TODAY.

11

12   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, AS LONG AS YOU'RE HERE, YOU'VE  
13   ALSO SIGNED UP ON 27, 28 AND 50 IF YOU'D LIKE TO ADDRESS  
14   THOSE?

15

16   **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** 27 AND 28, YES. 50, YOU --

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18   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AFTER REPORT, OKAY.

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20   **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** WELL, YOU KNOW, INFORMATION  
21   TECHNOLOGY, WE HAVE A NEW CONTRACT ALL THE TIME. FOR THE LAST  
22   TWO, THREE YEARS I HAVE ASKED TO GET A COMPLETE COLLECTION OF  
23   ALL THE CONTRACTS WE HAVE. I STILL HAVE NEVER HEARD FROM YOU.  
24   TODAY WE HAVE TWO CONTRACTS COMING TO AN AMOUNT OF \$150  
25   MILLION, WHICH IS QUITE SUBSTANTIAL. YOU KNOW, WE'RE



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1     DUPLICATING THINGS. AND I DON'T KNOW WHO IS IN CHARGE OF  
2     INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OR HOW THE CONTRACTS ARE DONE. BUT  
3     THERE SEEMS TO BE TOTALLY LACK OF COORDINATION. AND THAT'S  
4     VERY CHAGRIN ME. BECAUSE I THINK THERE IS A LOT OF WASTE. AND  
5     I THINK A LOT OF THE PROBLEM WE ARE HAVING IN OTHER  
6     DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING CHILDREN'S SERVICES, HOSPITAL AND SO ON,  
7     IS BECAUSE WE DO NOT HAVE THE COMMUNICATION. AND WE ARE  
8     GETTING A NEW CONTRACT, RENEWING CONTRACTS, ESPECIALLY  
9     RENEWING CONTRACT WITH QUADRAMED. AND I'M VERY CONCERNED TO  
10    SEE WHAT WE ARE GETTING FOR OUR MONEY. AND I THINK WE SHOULD  
11    BE LOOKING AT THAT. AND I STILL WANT A COMPLETE DETAIL OF ALL  
12    THE CONTRACTS. AND IF I HAVE TO SUE THE COUNTY, MAYBE I  
13    SHOULD. BECAUSE I HAVE ASKED YOU FOR A LONG, LONG TIME. AND AS  
14    THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC AND A MEMBER OF THE PRESS, I DO HAVE  
15    THE RIGHT TO GET THAT DOCUMENTATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
16    ATTENTION.

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18    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ITEM 27, ITEM 28, MOVED BY  
19    SUPERVISOR --

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21    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ITEM 1. MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M SORRY, ON ITEM  
22    NO. 27, THERE'S ANOTHER SPEAKER. BUT ITEM NO. 1 AND 28 ARE  
23    BEFORE YOU.

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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 1 AND 28, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
2   ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
3   SO ORDERED.

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5   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF WE COULD HAVE MARK PESTRELLA OF THE PUBLIC  
6   WORKS TO RESPOND TO THE REPORT WE ASKED RELATIVE TO THE JULY  
7   1ST DIRECTIVE DISCUSSING GRAY WATER, HOW TO ENHANCE THE SUPPLY  
8   OF GRAY WATER FOR OUR COUNTY TO LESSEN THE NEED FOR --

9

10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT'S THE ITEM?

11

12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS WAS THE REPORT BACK THAT WE HAD ASKED  
13   FOR ON JULY 21ST. AND HE'S GOING TO GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THAT  
14   REPORT RELATIVE TO DOUBLING THE USAGE OF RECLAIMED WATER FOR  
15   NONDRINKING PURPOSES. SO COULD YOU GIVE AN UPDATE WHAT HAS  
16   TAKEN PLACE?

17

18   **MARK PESTRELLA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. MARK  
19   PESTRELLA, WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
20   WORKS. HERE TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON THE REPORT REGARDING  
21   RECLAIMED WATER. TWO WEEKS AGO, YOU ASKED OUR DEPARTMENT, AND  
22   I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR MENTIONING AND BRINGING THIS VERY  
23   IMPORTANT SUBJECT TO LIGHT FOR THE BOARD. THE DEPARTMENT'S  
24   PREPARED A REPORT THAT WILL BE IN YOUR OFFICES TODAY THAT  
25   DETAILS EFFORTS TO DATE WITH RESPECT TO RECLAIMED WATER USE.



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1 THE REPORT, AS I SAID, DETAILS PLANNING EFFORTS THAT HAVE BEEN  
2 ONGOING SINCE 2006 UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD, INCLUDING  
3 PRIORITIZING PROJECTS THAT COULD BE DONE BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS  
4 TO RETROFIT THEIR DEPARTMENTS FOR RECLAIMED WATER USE AS WELL  
5 AS EFFORTS BY THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND OUR WATER WORKS  
6 DISTRICTS TO INCREASE THE USE OF RECLAIMED WATER. THERE ARE  
7 SEVERAL LARGE PROJECTS, ACTUALLY, THAT I'M HAPPY TO REPORT TO  
8 YOU ABOUT THAT ARE HAPPENING TODAY, OR ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED  
9 AS WE SPEAK IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR SANITATION DISTRICTS. AND  
10 AS I SPOKE EARLIER, THE DEPARTMENTS. ONE LARGE PROJECT THAT I  
11 KNOW YOU'RE AWARE OF IS OUR RECYCLED WATER BACKBONE SYSTEM IN  
12 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHICH WE ANTICIPATE WILL GENERATE 17,000  
13 ACRE FEET OF RECLAIMED WATER FOR USE BY THE CITIES OF  
14 PALMDALE, LANCASTER AND OUR WATERWORKS DISTRICT UNINCORPORATED  
15 DISTRICTS, AS WELL. THAT PROJECT IS BEING SUPPLIED BY THE  
16 SANITATION DISTRICT, WHO ARE UPGRADING THEIR PLANT TO TERTIARY  
17 TREATMENT TO THAT PURPOSE. THERE ARE ALSO TWO OTHER LARGE  
18 PROJECTS RECENTLY, GROUND WATER RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENT  
19 PROJECT, THE THE SANITATION DISTRICT HAS RECENTLY COME FORWARD  
20 WITH A PROJECT IN WHICH THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT WILL BE  
21 PARTNERING WITH THE SANITATION DISTRICT IN THE SAN JOSE CREEK  
22 AREA TO DELIVER ANOTHER 18,000 ACRE FEET OF RECLAIMED WATER  
23 FOR RECHARGE PURPOSES. AGAIN AT A TERTIARY TREATMENT LEVEL.  
24 AND MOST RECENTLY, A BOARD LETTER IN FRONT OF YOU WHERE WE,  
25 THE DISTRICT, PARTNERED WITH REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT, THE



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1 GREATER LOS ANGELES BASIN, TO PROVIDE A PIPELINE SYSTEM TO  
2 DELVER, AGAIN, RECLAIMED WATER TO OUR RECHARGE FACILITIES IN  
3 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. SO WHAT I'M IN SUMMARY TRYING TO TELL  
4 THE BOARD IS THAT WE ARE VERY AWARE -- THE DISTRICT, THE  
5 COUNTY, ALONG WITH THE C.E.O., UNDER YOUR DIRECTION, THAT WE  
6 HAVE TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS AND THIS SHORTAGE, IF YOU WILL, OF  
7 IMPORTED WATER AVAILABLE TO THE REGION. AND THE WAY THAT WE'RE  
8 GOING ABOUT THAT IS BY PARTNERING WITH THE LARGER WATER  
9 AGENCIES AS WELL AS LOOKING AT LOCAL USE OF RECLAIMED WATER,  
10 RECHARGE AND RECYCLED WATER TO SUPPLANT IMPORTED WATERS FOR  
11 DOMESTIC USE. AGAIN, THE REPORT THAT HAS BEEN PREPARED IN  
12 DRAFT FORM WILL BE READY FOR THE BOARD THIS AFTERNOON.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT PERCENTAGE OF RUNOFF WATER DO WE  
15 RECYCLE?

16

17 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WE CURRENTLY, IN TERMS OF STORM WATER, SURFACE  
18 WATERS, IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHERE WE HAVE THE  
19 OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT, WE'RE CAPTURING ALMOST 90 PERCENT.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 90 PERCENT?

22

23 **MARK PESTRELLA:** 90 PERCENT OF THE WATER IN OUR FLOOD CONTROL  
24 SYSTEM AND RECHARGING TO THE GROUND ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. IN THE



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1 LAST TWO YEARS WE ACHIEVED A NUMBER SOMEWHERE IN THE ORDER OF  
2 95 PERCENT OF THOSE WATERS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY?

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6 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ABOUT OTHER PARTS?

9

10 **MARK PESTRELLA:** LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED, WE ARE NOT AT  
11 THOSE KIND OF NUMBERS BUT WE'RE ACTIVELY PURSUING HIGHER  
12 NUMBERS ALONG WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. I DON'T HAVE AN  
13 EXACT NUMBER FOR YOU TODAY IN TERMS OF THE PERCENTAGE, BUT I  
14 WOULD IMAGINE IT'S IN THE 50 PERCENT RANGE AND THAT WE  
15 ACTUALLY RECHARGE IN THE L.A. RIVER SYSTEM. THE PROBLEM IN THE  
16 LA. RIVER SYSTEM IS THAT WE HAVE SOIL TYPES THAT DON'T ALLOW  
17 FOR THE EFFICIENCY AND RECHARGE THAT WE HAVE IN THE SAN  
18 GABRIEL VALLEY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THAT BECAUSE OF THE CHEMICALS THAT ARE  
21 JUST IN THAT RIVER?

22

23 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL, CERTAINLY THE IMPAIRMENT AND GROUND  
24 WATER SYSTEMS HAVE RESTRICTED OUR ABILITY TO RECHARGE CERTAIN  
25 WATERS. BUT IT MOSTLY HAS TO DO WITH THE GEOLOGY OF THE AREA,



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1 SOILS OF THE AREA THAT RESTRICT OUR ABILITY TO DO LARGE-SCALE  
2 RECHARGE IN THE L.A. RIVER WATERSHED.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IN THE REPORT WHEN YOU COMPLETE IT FOR  
5 THE BOARD, COULD YOU GIVE PERHAPS A PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN WHERE  
6 WE ARE RECYCLING THE RECLAIMED WATER IN THE VARIOUS  
7 JURISDICTIONS? AND ALSO, WE HAVE A LIST OF STATE OR FEDERAL  
8 GRANTS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO ENHANCE THE CAPACITY OF RECLAIMED  
9 WATER FOR NONDRINKING PURPOSES.

10

11 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT WILL BE INCLUDED, YES, WE CAN DO THAT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I GUESS THERE'S ANOTHER SPEAKER ON ITEM 28,  
18 YOU SAID?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK ITEM 28, MR. SACHS? BRING ALL  
21 YOUR STUFF, I'LL KEEP YOU UP HERE. 27.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU AGAIN. GOOD AFTERNOON. JUST ACTUALLY I  
24 WANTED 27 AND 21 I WAS GOING TO COMBINE. I'M JUST HOPING THAT  
25 THE RIGHT PEOPLE GET THE RIGHT CHECK. WITH QUADRAMED AFFINITY





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1 CORPORATION AND QUADRAMED CORPORATION, AND THEN GETTY  
2 SYNTHETIC FUELS INCORPORATED AND G.S.F. ENERGY, WHICH I'M SURE  
3 STANDS FOR GETTY SYNTHETIC FUELS ENERGY LICENSED LIABILITY  
4 COMPANY. JUST THE FACT THAT YOU CAN SLIP IN OR CHANGE ONE WORD  
5 IN THESE COMPANIES' TITLES AND IT BECOMES A TOTALLY DIFFERENT  
6 ENTITY, I'D JUST LIKE TO BRING UP WHEN YOU DO THAT WITH THE  
7 EXPO LINE AND THE MID-CITY BECOMES THE MID-CITY EXPO LINE,  
8 IT'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT ENTITY EXCEPT THAT'S NOT ADDRESSED,  
9 EITHER. IT'S JUST THE LANGUAGE HERE. THAT'S A CONCERN. WHEN  
10 YOU CAN ADDRESS THESE TWO ITEMS AND THESE FOUR COMPANIES,  
11 BASICALLY, FOR THESE TWO DIFFERENT ITEMS, WHY IS IT NOT SO  
12 DIFFERENT WHEN WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A MUNICIPAL PROJECT THAT  
13 HAS TWO DIFFERENT NAMES FOR THE SAME INFRASTRUCTURE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE LIMIT YOUR TESTIMONY. THANK YOU.  
16 ITEM 21, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE. MR. ANTONOVICH SECONDS.  
17 SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING NO. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
18 ITEM 27, I'LL MOVE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.  
19 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. YOU ALSO HELD ITEMS -- WHAT  
20 ELSE DO WE HAVE LEFT? I THOUGHT HE REMOVED 3-D.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO, HE HAS ITEMS 3-D, 6-D, 5-H AND NO. 4.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK ONE QUESTION, MR. CHAIRMAN, BEFORE  
2   WE LEAVE 27?

3

4   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

5

6   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. FUJIOKA, I WAS JUST LOOKING AT THIS. IT  
7   CAUGHT MY ATTENTION THAT PART OF THE \$65 MILLION CONTRACT,  
8   THAT'S NOT WHAT'S BEFORE US, SO SLIGHT AMENDMENT TO IT, BUT  
9   IT'S FOR SOFTWARE AND OTHER TECHNICAL STUFF AT THREE  
10  FACILITIES INCLUDING KING-DREW. WHAT ARE WE PAYING FOR AT  
11  KING-DREW RIGHT NOW?

12

13  **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IF YOU HOLD THAT, I'LL GET THAT INFORMATION.  
14  THE TOTAL AMOUNT?

15

16  **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T WANT TO KNOW THE AMOUNT. I JUST WANT  
17  TO KNOW WHAT IS IT? IS THIS ONE OF THESE THINGS WHICH, LIKE  
18  THE TELEPHONE LINES, WHICH SLIP THROUGH THE CRACKS, WE'RE  
19  STILL PAYING FOR SOMETHING?

20

21  **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, NO, NO. THIS IS THE EXISTING MEDICAL  
22  RECORDS SYSTEM. AFFINITY IS YOUR MEDICAL RECORD SYSTEM AT  
23  THESE VARIOUS FACILITIES. I'LL CONFIRM.

24

25  **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JOHN'S HERE. MAYBE HE CAN JUST ANSWER IT.



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2 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, THIS INCLUDES THE CLINIC  
3 REGISTRATION SYSTEM. IT INCLUDES A LOT OF THE FINANCE SYSTEM  
4 THAT ARE BEING USED AT KING-DREW. THESE AFFINITY SYSTEMS ARE  
5 IN TWO DIFFERENT CONTRACTS BECAUSE OF HOW THEY'VE COME UP OVER  
6 TIME. BUT WE ARE CONTINUING TO USE THAT SYSTEM TO RUN THE  
7 M.A.C.C.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, AND IT'S THE SAME COST? IT'S THE SAME  
10 CONTRACT, IT JUST ROLLED OVER TO THE M.A.C.C. AFTER THE  
11 HOSPITAL CLOSED?

12

13 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S CORRECT, YEAH. I CAN ASK WHETHER  
14 THERE'S BEEN ANY ADJUSTMENT TO IT FOR THAT. I'D BE HAPPY TO  
15 GET BACK TO YOU ON THAT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN YOU GET BACK TO ME ON THAT? I'M NOT  
18 GOING TO MOVE TO RECONSIDER. YOU'VE ANSWERED MOST OF MY  
19 QUESTION. BUT GET BACK TO ME ON THAT. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. SACHS, IF YOU'LL ADDRESS 3-D,  
22 6-D, 5-H AND 4.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 3-D, JUST VERY QUICKLY, THIS IS PARK FUNDS. THE  
25 AMOUNT INCORPORATED INTO THE COMMISSION, WOULD THAT INCLUDE OR



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1 IS A PORTION OF THESE FUNDINGS QUIMBY FEES THAT HAVE BEEN  
2 COLLECTED? AND IF SO, WHAT WOULD BE THE PERCENTAGE OF QUIMBY  
3 FEES? AND IF NOT, WHY NOT? I DON'T KNOW. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THERE'S VERY SPECIFIC GUIDELINES  
6 FOR QUIMBY FEES. THE QUIMBY FEES, IT WOULD BE IN THE REPORT  
7 ALREADY.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SO IT DOESN'T INCLUDE THEM THEN.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL MOVE 3-D, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
12 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 5-H, SIR?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 5-H.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 5-H. WOULD THIS INFORMAL PROCUREMENT, WOULD IT  
19 INCLUDE CHANGE ORDERS THAT WOULD BE DONE. WOULD THERE BE  
20 OVERSIGHT THERE? I MEAN AGAIN, I WOULD HATE TO BE REPETITIOUS  
21 REGARDING THIS, BUT A SIMILAR SITUATION OCCURRED IN MANHATTAN  
22 BEACH WITH THEIR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION ON A BOND. AND THEY  
23 ALLOWED CHANGE ORDERS TO GO THROUGH AT UNDER \$100,000 WITHOUT  
24 OVERSIGHT. AND THEY ENDED UP SPENDING ENOUGH MONEY THAT THEY  
25 SHORTED THEMSELVES A BUILDING. SO I'M JUST WONDERING THAT



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1   THERE WOULD BE, WITH THIS INFORMAL PROCUREMENT, WOULD THAT  
2   INCLUDE CHANGE ORDERS? AND THERE IS AN OVERSIGHT CLAUSE IN  
3   THIS DIRECTION.

4

5   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD HAVE TO ASK STAFF ON THAT ONE,  
6   WHETHER IT INCLUDES CHANGE ORDERS. I DIDN'T READ IT TO INCLUDE  
7   CHANGE ORDERS.

8

9   **SEAN ROGAN:** THE ANSWER IS YES, ANYTHING OVER \$100,000,  
10   INCLUDING CHANGE ORDERS, WOULD HAVE TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD.

11

12   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

13

14   **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHAT ABOUT UNDER 100,000?

15

16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS UP TO 100,000.

17

18   **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT HE MENTIONED OVER 100,000.

19

20   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** UP TO 100,000 IT DOESN'T. THIS IS GIVING  
21   HIM THE AUTHORITY.

22

23   **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, UP TO 100 DOESN'T? THAT'S A PROBLEM.

24



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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. 5-H, I'LL  
2   MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
3   ORDERED. OKAY.

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5   **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM NO. 4.

6

7   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 4.

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9   **ARNOLD SACHS:** THIS APPEARS ON TODAY'S CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
10   REGARDING THE ADELANTE SITE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT. I'M SORRY.  
11   SO I WAS JUST WONDERING, SINCE IT'S ALSO A FACTOR IN THE CITY  
12   COUNCIL AGENDA OF LOS ANGELES, WHY NOT -- AND I CAN'T BELIEVE  
13   I'M GOING TO SAY THIS -- A BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LIKE THE  
14   GRAND AVENUE PROJECT THAT INCLUDES BOTH COUNTY AND CITY, WHY  
15   SEPARATE AGENDAS FOR THE SAME PROJECT? WE KNOW HOW WELL THE  
16   GRAND AVENUE PROJECT BOARD IS WORKING. WHY NOT HAVE (LAUGHING)  
17   WHY NOT HAVE THAT FOR THIS PROJECT?

18

19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. YOU'RE GET BEING A KICK  
20   OUT OF YOURSELF, HUH?

21

22   **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'M GET BEING A KICK THINKING ABOUT HOW WELL THE  
23   GRAND AVENUE PROJECT IS WORKING.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT. ITEM 4 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
2    MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
3    SO ORDERED. ITEM 19, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE, SECONDED BY  
4    SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. I  
5    BELIEVE THAT'S IT.

6

7    **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 19?

8

9    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE ALREADY DID 19.

10

11   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE ITEM NO. 45 THAT HE'S HOLDING WITH  
12   SOMEBODY ELSE.

13

14   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL TAKE UP 45. OKAY. ITEM WHAT?

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 60.

17

18   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TAKE A SEAT THERE, MR. SACHS.

19

20   **ARNOLD SACHS:** I WILL.

21

22   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 60 IS A PUBLIC HEARING. AND ALL  
23   THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND TO  
24   RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN? IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY  
25   GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE





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1 TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU  
2 GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. ON ITEM NO. 60 AND I'LL  
3 JUST READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS A HEARING  
4 ON AMENDMENT TO COUNTY CODE, TITLE 22, PLANNING AND ZONING  
5 RELATED TO THE MODIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR  
6 HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT AND SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREAS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** STAFF HAS SOMETHING.

11

12 **KAREN SIMMONS:** A BRIEF PRESENTATION. GOOD MORNING,  
13 SUPERVISORS. I'M KAREN SIMMONS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL  
14 PLANNING. WITH ME IS ROSE HAMILTON, ALSO WITH THE DEPARTMENT  
15 OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THIS PROJECT IS AMENDMENT TO TITLE 22 TO  
16 CLARIFY THE EXISTING REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A C.U.P. IN  
17 CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN HILLSIDE  
18 MANAGEMENT AND SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREAS. CURRENTLY THE  
19 ZONING ORDINANCE REQUIRES A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR MANY  
20 CONSTRUCTION AND LAND DIVISION ACTIVITIES WITHIN HILLSIDE  
21 MANAGEMENT AND S.E.A.S. IN 1998, THE BOARD ADDED AN  
22 APPLICATION FOR A RELOCATION OF TWO OR MORE LOT LINES BETWEEN  
23 THREE OR MORE CONTIGUOUS PARCELS THAT WOULD ALSO REQUIRE A  
24 C.U.P. NOT TO CREATE ADDITIONAL BURDENS ON THE SINGLE-FAMILY  
25 HOMEOWNER, THE BOARD CREATED A SPECIAL EXEMPTION FOR



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1 INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS WHO ARE BUILDING THEIR OWN  
2 RESIDENCE ON AN EXISTING LOT. THE CONCERN HAS ARISEN THAT  
3 EXISTING HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT AND S.E.A. C.U.P. REQUIREMENTS AS  
4 THEY RELATE TO LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED  
5 THROUGH APPLICATION OF MULTIPLE OWNERSHIP ENTITIES. LIMITED  
6 LIABILITY COMPANIES COULD BE USED TO MAKE LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS  
7 AMONG MULTIPLE PARCELS APPEAR TO BE SEPARATE TRANSACTIONS,  
8 WHEN IN REALITY THEY ARE PART OF A SINGLE UNIFIED EFFORT. THE  
9 SINGLE OWNER EXEMPTION WAS NOT INTENDED TO ALLOW SITUATIONS  
10 WHERE MULTIPLE PROPERTY OWNERS ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO USE THE  
11 LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE TO INCREASE THE DEVELOPMENT  
12 POTENTIAL OF HIGHLY SENSITIVE USES. REVISING AN EXEMPTION CAN  
13 PROTECT INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS OF SINGLE LOTS WHILE NOT  
14 ALLOWING THE EXEMPTION TO BE USED INCORRECTLY BY DEVELOPERS.  
15 THE HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT S.E.A. ORDINANCE CURRENTLY CONTAINS AN  
16 EXEMPTION FROM THE C.U.P. REQUIREMENT FOR INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-  
17 FAMILY RESIDENTS WHERE NOT MORE THAN ONE SUCH RESIDENT IS  
18 PROPOSED TO BE BUILT ON A CONTIGUOUS LOTS OR PARCELS OF LAND.  
19 REGIONAL PLANNING'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT WILL BE ADDED TO THE  
20 END OF THIS SENTENCE TO CLARIFY THAT "NOTWITHSTANDING THE  
21 EXEMPTION FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE PROPOSED BY A SINGLE  
22 OWNER, RELOCATION OF TWO OR MORE PROPERTY LINES BETWEEN THREE  
23 OR MORE CONTIGUOUS PARCELS REQUIRES A C.U.P. REGARDLESS OF THE  
24 OWNERSHIP OF THE INVOLVED PARCELS." IN FURTHER DISCUSSIONS  
25 WITH COUNTY COUNSEL, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO



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1 ALSO ADD SIMILAR LANGUAGE TO THE INITIAL PORTION OF THE  
2 HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT S.E.A. C.U.P. ORDINANCE. TO FURTHER  
3 CLARIFY THE INTENT OF THE ORDINANCE, WE BELIEVE IT WILL BE  
4 APPROPRIATE TO ALSO SPECIFY THAT THE EXISTING C.U.P.  
5 REQUIREMENT FOR LOT LINE ADJUSTMENTS CANNOT BE AVOIDED MERELY  
6 BY SUBMITTING SUCCESSIVE OR MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS IN ORDER TO  
7 INDICATE THE APPEARANCE OF SEPARATE TRANSACTIONS. COUNTY  
8 COUNSEL CAN PREPARE THE FINAL LANGUAGE FOR THE BOARD'S  
9 APPROVAL. THE ONLY PUBLIC COMMENT WE HAVE RECEIVED REGARDING  
10 THIS CASE IS A LETTER IN SUPPORT WE RECEIVED YESTERDAY FROM  
11 THE LAS VIRGENES HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION. THIS CONCLUDES STAFF  
12 PRESENTATION. I'M AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF?

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO QUESTIONS. I WOULD JUST MOVE THE  
17 RECOMMENDATION.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.  
20 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
21 ORDERED. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM 19. WE  
22 HAD ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS THAT I WAS NOT AWARE OF AND I  
23 APOLOGIZE.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MOVED.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SECOND HERE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
3 ORDERED. ON ITEM 19, I WOULD ASK -- WAIT, EXCUSE ME. DID WE  
4 HAVE SOMEONE ON ITEM 60? WE DIDN'T, DID WE? OKAY. ON ITEM 19,  
5 I WOULD ASK MIKE CHATTOM TO JOIN US, SUSAN BURTON, JOSHUA KIM,  
6 HALIM HUSSEIN. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST, PLEASE FEEL  
7 FREE. JUST IDENTIFY YOURSELF.

8

9 **JOSHUA KIM:** MY NAME IS JOSHUA KIM, STAFF ATTORNEY AT A NEW WAY  
10 OF LIFE AND A MEMBER OF ALL OF US OR NONE. I WAS HERE THREE  
11 WEEKS AGO TO OPPOSE THE MOTION THAT'S CURRENTLY BEFORE -- THE  
12 RESOLUTION THAT'S CURRENTLY BEFORE THE BOARD. AND I WANT TO  
13 REITERATE MY POSITION ON THAT. BECAUSE I HAVE HERE TODAY MY  
14 FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES WHO ACTUALLY HAVE SOMETHING IN COMMON,  
15 THAT THEY ALL HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD AND THEY WILL  
16 INDIVIDUALLY BE AFFECTED BY THE DECISION MADE BY THE BOARD  
17 TODAY AND ALSO THE FINE WORK THAT THEY DO FOR THE COMMUNITY OF  
18 LOS ANGELES. AND I WANT TO FOCUS THE BOARD'S ATTENTION TO  
19 SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD MIGHT NOT HAVE PAID ATTENTION TO  
20 BEFORE, WHICH IS THE SECOND PART OF THE RESOLUTION, THE  
21 RESOLUTION TO DENY EMPLOYMENT TO PEOPLE CONVICTED OF MORAL  
22 TURPITUDE CRIMES. I DON'T KNOW IF THE BOARD IS AWARE OF THE  
23 SIGNIFICANT CHANGE THAT THIS BRINGS TO EMPLOYMENT OF PEOPLE  
24 WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS IN THE COUNTY OF L.A. CURRENTLY THE  
25 BOARD POSITION, AS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD BACK IN 1998, IS TO



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1 CONDUCT BACKGROUND CHECKS AND DO A REVIEW OF THEIR HISTORY  
2 ONLY FOR SENSITIVE POSITIONS. AS IMPERFECT AS THE  
3 IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT RESOLUTION HAS BEEN, THE MESSAGE THAT  
4 IT SENDS IS: WE WANT TO PROTECT THE VULNERABLE POPULATION. WE  
5 WANT TO PROTECT PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND IT'S A  
6 MESSAGE THAT WE ALL AGREE WITH. HOWEVER, THIS CHANGE, OR THE  
7 ADDITION, OR FOCUS, SHIFTING OF FOCUS AWAY FROM THAT SENSE OF  
8 PROTECTION OF VULNERABLE POPULATION TO A CRIMES OF MORAL  
9 TURPITUDE SENDS A MESSAGE THAT'S ENTIRELY DIFFERENT. IT IS  
10 THAT WE DO NOT WANT PEOPLE CONVICTED OF MORAL TURPITUDE  
11 CRIMES, MEANING, WE DO NOT WANT YOU CRIMINALS. I DO NOT THINK  
12 THAT THIS IS A MESSAGE THAT THE BOARD WANTS TO SEND,  
13 ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE FACT THAT A HIGH PERCENTAGE OF L.A.  
14 RESIDENTS HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD AND HAVE REHABILITATED, JUST  
15 AS MY FINE COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS HERE TODAY ARE. AND I DON'T  
16 THINK THE BOARD IS AWARE OF THE IMPACT OF THIS RESOLUTION AND  
17 I STRONGLY URGE THE BOARD TO RECONSIDER ADOPTING THIS PART OF  
18 THE RESOLUTION, AT LEAST. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

21

22 **MIKE CHATTOM:** MY NAME IS MIKE CHATTOM. I'M A MEMBER OF ALL OF  
23 US OR NONE, THE COMPTON CHAPTER. AND I AM ONE THAT HAS WORKED  
24 WITH THE COUNTY IN THE PAST FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS. AND IN  
25 THIS AREA OF THE ELECTIONS, I WAS BRIEFLY NOTIFIED BY THE



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1 COUNTY JUST ABOUT MAYBE ABOUT THREE OR FOUR MONTHS AGO THAT MY  
2 BACKGROUND WAS GOING TO BE CHECKED. AND I HAD DISCLOSED ON THE  
3 APPLICATION SOME THREE YEARS AGO BY WORKING WITH YOU OF MY  
4 CRIMINAL BACKGROUND. I THOUGHT THAT DUE TO ME PERFORMING WELL  
5 AND TO GETTING ON A CERTIFIED LIST THAT I WOULD BE GIVEN THE  
6 RESPONSIBILITY OF GETTING A JOB, BECAUSE I WAS PROMISED  
7 THROUGH THE PERSONNEL THAT WITH PERFORMANCE YOU WOULD GRADUATE  
8 UP. AND AS A RESULT, I THINK IT WAS THE THIRD OF MARCH, '09,  
9 WHEN I WAS INFORMED THAT I HAD TO COME DOWN AND DO A LIFE  
10 SCAN, I WAS DEEPLY DISAPPOINTED BECAUSE THE FAVORABILITY OF ME  
11 GETTING A JOB WHEN THE LIFE SCANS ARE BEING DONE, IT WOULD BE  
12 SOMEWHAT NEGATIVE. AND AS A RESULT OF THIS, I WAS NOT GIVEN  
13 ANY INDICATION WHATSOEVER WHEN MAY 19TH ROLLED AROUND THAT I  
14 WOULD BE WORKING OR I WOULD BE EMPLOYABLE WITH THE COUNTY IN  
15 THE AREA. SO I WAS DISMAYED AS TO WHY THAT WAS DONE WHEN I  
16 DISCLOSED IT EVEN ON MY APPLICATION. AND EVEN WITH THE  
17 PERFORMANCE THAT I HAVE DONE FOR THE LAST 2-1/2 YEARS, I  
18 THOUGHT THAT WAS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS. SO WITH ACTIONS LIKE  
19 THAT, THAT WOULD SEND A DISAPPOINTMENT TOWARD ME AS WELL AS MY  
20 OTHER FELLOW COLLEAGUES WHO HAVE BEEN PERFORMING IN THAT  
21 POSITION OF A DRIVER, ELECTION 2. IT JUST DEEPLY DISCOURAGED  
22 ME FROM EVEN THINKING THAT THE COUNTY WAS COMING FORTHRIGHT IN  
23 SAYING THAT THEY HAD JOBS FOR THOSE WHO HAD MAYBE PERHAPS A  
24 CRIMINAL ISSUE IN THEIR BACKGROUND BUT THAT WOULD NOW PERFORM  
25 BETTER THROUGH REHABILITATION, OF WHICH I HAVE. SO TO SEE THIS



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1 ITEM HERE INDICATED ON THIS ITEM 19, IT WAS JUST MIND BOGGLING  
2 TO SEE THAT WE WOULD START IMPLEMENTING THIS. AND I SEE THAT  
3 IT WAS ALWAYS IN EFFECT IN 1998. WELL, IN 2006, '07, AND '08,  
4 I WAS WORKING. SO OBVIOUSLY THE CHECKS DIDN'T GO THROUGH AT  
5 THAT TIME. SO I'M CONCERNED AS TO WHY THE COUNTY WOULD TRY TO  
6 IMPLEMENT SUCH A DRASTIC POLICY FOR THOSE WHO NEED JOBS AND TO  
7 KEEP HIGH EMPLOYMENT ALARMINGLY GOING IN THE COUNTY WHEN WE  
8 NEED TO REDUCE THE UNEMPLOYMENT LINES SO THAT PEOPLE CAN HAVE  
9 JOBS. SO I WOULD HOPE THAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER THIS AND  
10 CONSIDER THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING AND JUDGE THEM OFF THEIR  
11 PERFORMANCE RATHER THAN THEIR BACKGROUND. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR. YOUR NAME IS?

14

15 **HALIM HUSSEIN:** MY NAME IS HALIM HUSSEIN.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME CALL A COUPLE MORE UP HERE,  
18 PLEASE. I ALREADY CALLED SUSAN BURTON. LORRAINE DILLARD AND  
19 ARNOLD SACHS. OKAY, MR. HUSSEIN.

20

21 **HALIM HUSSEIN:** I'M THE FOUNDER OF PRO SE LITS, PAPERLESS CIVIL  
22 LITIGATION. AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE COMMUNITY IS AFFORDABLE  
23 LEGAL SERVICES. AND I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE BOARD MY  
24 PAST. IF IT HAD NOT BEEN FOR PEOPLE IN THE EMPLOYMENT INDUSTRY  
25 TAKING A CHANCE WITH ME, I WOULDN'T BE SITTING HERE. I'VE





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1 MANAGED TO BE EMPLOYED WITH D.O.D., DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE,  
2 U.S. TREASURY, AND OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES WITH THE PAST  
3 BACKGROUND THAT I HAVE, CRIMINAL BACKGROUND THAT I HAVE,  
4 BECAUSE OF MY REHABILITATION. AND THIS RESOLUTION IS -- TO  
5 IMPLEMENT SUCH A RESOLUTION AT THIS TIME WOULD REALLY DETER A  
6 LOT OF PEOPLE WITH A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND FROM REALLY TRYING TO  
7 BECOME PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF THIS SOCIETY. I'M GLAD THAT I AM  
8 NOT LOOKING FOR A JOB ANYMORE. BECAUSE WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION  
9 OF SUCH RESOLUTION WITH SUCH BROAD AUTHORITY, WOULD PRECLUDE  
10 MANY WHO HAVE REALLY TURNED THEIR LIVES AROUND IN WANTING TO  
11 BECOME PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF SOCIETY AND MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS  
12 TO SOCIETY. SO I AM BEGGING, OR PRAYING, THAT THE BOARD WOULD  
13 NOT IMPLEMENT SUCH RESOLUTION HERE AT THIS TIME.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **LORRAINE DILLARD:** HI, MY NAME IS LORRAINE DILLARD. I AM A  
18 PARTICIPANT OF THE NEW WAY OF LIFE REENTRY PROJECT. I AM ALSO  
19 AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ESSENCE OF LIFE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING  
20 AGENCY, WHICH PROVIDES EMERGENCY SHELTER AND TEMPORARY HOUSING  
21 FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES, INDIVIDUALS AND WOMEN AND CHILDREN. I  
22 COME BEFORE THE BOARD ASKING THE BROADER QUESTION BECAUSE I  
23 JUST WONDER WHY HAS THIS PARTICULAR RESOLUTION BEEN PUT ON THE  
24 BOARD AS I'D LIKE SOME CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION AS TO WHY THIS  
25 IS A PRIORITY, WHEN THERE ARE SO MANY INDIVIDUALS OUT HERE,



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1 INCLUDING LIKE MYSELF, WHO HAVE BEEN REHABILITATED, WHO HAVE  
2 MADE SIGNIFICANT AND STILL ARE MAKING SIGNIFICANT  
3 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THEIR COMMUNITIES? AND I JUST WOULD LIKE TO  
4 GET SOME CLARITY ON WHY IS IT SUCH A PRIORITY TO PRECLUDE, TO  
5 PRESENT ADDITIONAL BARRIERS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE THE  
6 ABILITY, WHO ARE PROFESSIONALS. MYSELF, I HAVE A DEGREE IN  
7 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. I MADE A MISTAKE BASED ON SOME POOR  
8 CHOICES IN MY LIFE OVER 10 YEARS AGO. AND IN THE PRIVATE  
9 INDUSTRY, I'VE HAD THE FORTUNE OF PEOPLE OVERLOOKING THAT IN  
10 SOME AREAS. BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE AREN'T GOING TO HAVE THAT  
11 OPPORTUNITY. I HAVE MARKETABLE SKILLS. BUT THERE ARE  
12 INDIVIDUALS WHO JUST -- THEY JUST GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE  
13 SOMEONE ADVOCATE FOR THEM, SOMEONE TO OPEN A DOOR AND SAY:  
14 HERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY. I ALSO HAVE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY AS AN  
15 INSPECTOR AT THE VOTING POLLS. AND I'VE DONE THAT FOR THE LAST  
16 THREE YEARS. AND SO NOW WE'RE COMING UP WITH THIS RESOLUTION  
17 THAT ASKS YOU TO GO BACK AND TAKE A LOOK AT MY BACKGROUND  
18 AFTER I'VE PERFORMED AND I'VE MADE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION.  
19 AND I STILL AM. AND SO I JUST WOULD LIKE THE QUESTION ANSWERED  
20 AS TO WHAT IS THE CONTEXT OF WHY THIS IS A PRIORITY WHEN WE  
21 ARE AT A TIME WHEN PEOPLE ARE FACING OTHER ECONOMIC BARRIERS  
22 OTHER THAN JUST THE ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO COMPETE FOR JOBS.  
23 AND I DEAL WITH POPULATIONS EVERY DAY WHERE FOLKS COME IN AND  
24 THEY HAVE MONUMENTAL HURDLES TO OVERCOME. AND STABILITY IN THE  
25 TERMS OF BEING ABLE TO BE SELF-SUPPORTING THROUGH YOUR OWN



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1 CONTRIBUTIONS IS BEING PRECLUDED BY A RESOLUTION OF THIS TYPE.

2 AND I JUST ASK THAT IT BE RECONSIDERED. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

5

6 **SUSAN BURTON:** I GUESS Y'ALL AIN'T ASKING NO QUESTIONS TODAY.

7 HI, GOOD MORNING. I'M SUSAN BURTON, DIRECTOR OF A NEW WAY OF

8 LIFE REENTRY PROJECT. AND FIRST OF ALL, CLEARLY I WANT TO GO

9 ON THE RECORD AS OPPOSING THIS MOTION. YOU KNOW, I'VE MADE

10 SOME POOR CHOICES. I GOT IN SITUATIONS THROUGHOUT MY LIFE,

11 ALSO, THAT CAUSED ME TO BE INCARCERATED, CONVICTED AND

12 INCARCERATED. THE JUDGE SENTENCED ME TO THE TIME THAT THE

13 JUDGE SENTENCED ME TO. THERE WERE MULTIPLE CONVICTIONS, SO

14 THERE WAS THREE YEARS, TWO YEARS, 16 MONTHS AND SO FORTH. BUT

15 FINALLY, SOMEONE GAVE ME SOME HELP. AND I GOT MY LIFE BACK ON

16 TRACK. BUT YOU KNOW, WHEN I WAS SENTENCED, IT DIDN'T SAY THAT

17 YOU WOULD BE FINGERPRINTED AND EXCLUDED FROM JOBS, EXCLUDED

18 FROM WELFARE BENEFITS BECAUSE THERE WAS A DRUG CONVICTION,

19 EXCLUDED FROM GETTING MY RELATIVES OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

20 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, JUST EXCLUDED, EXCLUDED,

21 EXCLUDED. AND RIGHT NOW, DURING THIS PERIOD, THERE ARE -- YOU

22 ALL KNOW THAT I'VE WORKED WITH PEOPLE COMING HOME FROM PRISONS

23 AS A RESULT OF MY EXPERIENCE. THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE COMING

24 BACK. AND WHERE ARE THEY GOING? WHAT DO THEY DO WITH THEM? AND

25 WHAT KIND OF FUTURE IS IN THEIR LIFE PATH? WE CAME BEFORE THE



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1 BOARD TWO YEARS AGO ASKING ABOUT A FAIR EMPLOYMENT RESOLUTION  
2 WHEN YOU, SUPERVISOR YVONNE BRAITHWAITE BURKE WAS HERE. AND  
3 THIS IS JUST TOTALLY, TOTALLY DIFFERENT. TOTALLY THE OPPOSITE  
4 OF WHAT WE WERE SEEKING. YOU KNOW, I JUST DON'T GET IT. YOU  
5 KNOW, MORE CHECKS, MORE CHECKS, MORE CHECKS IN A DIFFICULT  
6 ECONOMIC TIME. AND THESE CHECKS COST, WHAT? A HALF MILLION  
7 DOLLARS TO START WITH? I GUESS YOU CAN SAY THAT THE COUNTY  
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS IT LIKE THAT. BUT IN THE COMMUNITY  
9 WHERE I COME FROM AS I WAS DRIVING DOWN HERE TODAY, THE FOOD  
10 LINE STRETCHED ALL THE WAY AROUND THE CORNER. IT WASN'T LIKE  
11 THAT A YEAR AGO. SO, YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW. I GUESS I WOULD  
12 SAY THERE NEEDS TO BE A BETTER ALLOCATION OF FUNDS. YOU HAVE A  
13 CHECK ALREADY IN PLACE. THE F.B.I. CHECK ALREADY IS 50 PERCENT  
14 WRONG. I MEAN, I'M JUST BEHOOVED BY WHAT'S HAPPENING, WHAT I  
15 SEE AND WHAT I HEAR IN THIS MEETING. AND I GUESS TO WHOM MUCH  
16 IS GIVEN, MUCH IS REQUIRED. AND IT TAKES A LOT, A LOT OF  
17 WHATEVER IT TAKES TO DO WHAT YOU ALL DO. BUT I JUST FEEL LIKE  
18 GOING ON WRONG WITH WHAT YOU'RE DOING, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREA  
19 OF THIS F.B.I. BACKGROUND CHECK.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. I'M READING THIS AND MY QUESTION'S  
24 WITH REGARD TO EVIDENTLY A LIFE SCANNING POLICY WENT INTO  
25 EFFECT IN 1998. WHAT THAT ENTAILS? I'M NOT REALLY SURE BECAUSE



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1 I'M NOT PRIVY TO THAT INFORMATION. BUT IN YOUR THIRD PARAGRAPH  
2 HERE, IT STATES "CONTINUE THE CURRENT CRIMINAL BACKGROUND  
3 CHECK FOR STATE AND LOCAL SUMMARY CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMATION  
4 FOR ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES ON THE OCCASION OF TRANSFERS AND  
5 PROMOTIONS AND NEW HIRES." WELL, I WOULD IMAGINE BECAUSE ALL  
6 CURRENT EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING THOSE THAT HAVE NOT TRANSFERRED  
7 OR PROMOTED SINCE THE LIFE SCANNING POLICY WENT INTO EFFECT IN  
8 1998, NEW HIRES WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE LIFE SCANNING  
9 PROGRAM. SO IS IT A DEEPER BACKGROUND CHECK? IS IT A MORE  
10 THOROUGH BACKGROUND CHECK? AND IF IT IS, WHY WASN'T, AGAIN,  
11 THE LIFE SCANNING PROGRAM UPDATED TO ALLOW FOR MORE THOROUGH  
12 PROGRAM BACKGROUND CHECK? BUT AS FAR AS TRANSFERS AND  
13 PROMOTIONS, THE ONLY PEOPLE THAT WOULD BE EXCLUDED WOULD HAVE  
14 BEEN PEOPLE HIRED BEFORE 1998. AND IF THEY WERE HIRED BEFORE  
15 1998, WHY WASN'T A PROVISION IN THE LIFE SCANNING PROGRAM WHEN  
16 IT WAS IMPLEMENTED IN 1998 INCLUDED THEN TO ADDRESS TRANSFERS  
17 AND PROMOTIONS? AGAIN, YOU'RE CHASING A HORSE THAT'S ALREADY  
18 LEFT THE BARN. I DO RECALL DR. CLAVREUL COMING HERE WHEN  
19 M.L.K. WAS ON THE BURNERS AND QUESTIONING THE CREDENTIALS FOR  
20 THE HEAD OF M.L.K. NOT THE HEAD OF THE HEALTH, THE INTERIM  
21 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT, BUT THE WOMAN THAT USED TO COME  
22 UP HERE AND TALK ALSO ABOUT THE PROGRAMMING AT M.L.K. DR.  
23 CLAVREUL USED TO SAY SHE DOESN'T HAVE THE CREDENTIALS TO BE A  
24 NURSE. THAT WAS OVER TWO YEARS AGO. SO I'M NOT TOTALLY SURE,  
25 BUT THERE SEEMS TO BE A REAL DISCONNECT HERE. WHY ALL OF A



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1 SUDDEN? I DON'T KNOW. THERE IS A PROGRAM AT THE DOCKS, WHERE  
2 ALL THE TRUCK DRIVERS, BECAUSE IT'S A FEDERAL PROGRAM BECAUSE  
3 OF, WHO ARE THOSE KNUCKLEHEADS THAT DO THE SAFETY DEFENSE?  
4 THEY REQUIRED THAT THEY HAVE BACKGROUND INFORMATION, A DATA  
5 CARD OR SOMETHING. WHY WASN'T IT IMPLEMENTED AFTER 9/11? WHY  
6 WASN'T SOME CHANGES DONE THEN? WHY ALL OF A SUDDEN NOW? IT'S  
7 JUST A TIMING THING. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ITEM 19 IS BEFORE US.  
10 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
11 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 45, ARNOLD, DO  
12 YOU WANT TO -- YOU ALSO HELD 45? HIS MEMO IS REFERRED BACK. WE  
13 STILL MOVE ON THE REST OF THE ITEM. ITEM 45?

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AS WEIRD AS IT MAY SOUND. THANK YOU, ARNOLD  
16 SACHS. AS WEIRD AS IT MAY SOUND, THE AMOUNT OF MONEY HERE,  
17 WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE TOTAL, \$137,000 FOR ONE YEAR COMES TO  
18 LESS THAN \$12,000 A MONTH FOR THIS PROGRAM, WHICH IS LIKE,  
19 COMES TO LIKE \$3,000 A WEEK, WHICH IS, I DON'T KNOW. WHAT CAN  
20 YOU GET -- WHAT KIND OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAM? WHAT CAN A  
21 GOVERNMENT PROGRAM WITH A \$3,000 A WEEK BUDGET REALLY  
22 ACCOMPLISH AS FAR AS -- I MEAN, I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT  
23 THEY'RE GOING TO GET FUNDING, BUT IT'S PENNIES FOR THE  
24 PROBLEM. IT JUST LOOKS LIKE BAND-AIDS FOR AN AMPUTATION. THANK  
25 YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THE CHAIR WILL  
3 MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT  
4 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. ITEM 59. REPORT BY THE  
5 C.E.O. ON THE I.O.U.S, ISN'T THAT OLD NEWS?

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN ALMOST MAYBE END THIS REPORT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I MEAN THERE'S NEW NEWS AS RELATES MAYBE  
10 TO STATE BUDGET. BUT THE WARRANT PIECE IS GONE RIGHT NOW. IS  
11 THAT OKAY?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL AS OF THIS DATE, WELL, SINCE JULY 1ST,  
14 THE STATE HAS ISSUED \$41 MILLION IN WARRANTS. AND WE'VE CASHED  
15 ABOUT \$11 MILLION. SO THERE'S STILL A BALANCE OF ABOUT \$30  
16 MILLION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE STATE WILL REDEEM THESE  
17 WARRANTS IN OCTOBER WITH A REASONABLE INTEREST RATE. SO I  
18 DON'T EXPECT IT TO GET MATERIALLY WORSE OR BETTER. BUT WITH  
19 RESPECT TO THE STATE BUDGET, WE'VE SENT A LOT OF INFORMATION  
20 IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS REGARDING THE STATE BUDGET. WE HAVE  
21 CONCERNS REGARDING A COUPLE OF ISSUES. ONE, WHETHER OR NOT  
22 WE'LL GET REIMBURSED FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION THIS PAST MAY.  
23 THAT'S A VERY SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FOR US. WE'RE WORKING ON THAT.  
24 THE TIMING OF THE SECURITIZATION OF THE MONEY IMPACTED BY THE  
25 SUSPENSION OF PROP 1-A. THAT'S STILL A BIG ISSUE FOR US. AS





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1 REPORTED IN SEVERAL VENUES, THERE'S CONCERNS REGARDING THE  
2 CONSTITUTIONALITY OF SOME OF THE CUTS IMPOSED OR IDENTIFIED  
3 LAST WEEK. AND THE STATE CONTROLLER IS LOOKING AT THAT RIGHT  
4 NOW. WE'RE WATCHING IT VERY, VERY CLOSELY. WE DO HAVE A  
5 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON SOME OF OUR PUBLIC SOCIAL PROGRAMS AND  
6 ALSO SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS, BUT ALSO PUBLIC HEALTH AND  
7 MENTAL HEALTH. WE'LL BE ADDRESSING THESE ISSUES. AND WITH  
8 THAT, THE IMPACT TO OUR BUDGET AS WE MOVE FORWARD TOWARDS  
9 RELEASING INFORMATION RELATED TO A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. ANY  
10 QUESTIONS?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE QUESTION. THE ISSUE THAT IMPACTS THE  
15 COUNTY FINANCIALLY RELATIVE TO I GUESS OUTSIDE THE WARRANTS,  
16 BUT ON THE RELEASE OF STATE FELONS TO THE COUNTY, I WANT TO  
17 ASK SOME QUESTIONS ON THAT. THE REPORT INDICATES THAT THEY'RE  
18 GOING TO RELEASE NONVIOLENT OFFENDERS WHO VIOLATE PAROLE WOULD  
19 NOT BE RETURNED TO PRISON. I WOULD ASSUME WOULD THEY THEN BE  
20 HOUSED IN COUNTY FACILITIES?

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE DON'T HAVE INFORMATION ON THAT RIGHT NOW.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEY'RE ALSO SAYING OFFENDERS WOULD  
25 REMAIN IN COUNTY JAIL RATHER THAN END UP IN STATE PRISON. SO



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1 IF THEY DETERMINE WHO IS GOING TO REMAIN IN THE COUNTY JAIL,  
2 THE QUESTION IS DO THEY PAY FOR THAT? AND IF THEY DO PAY FOR  
3 THAT COST, DOES THAT INCLUDE CAPITAL COSTS? BECAUSE OUR JAILS  
4 ARE BASICALLY OVEREXTENDED RIGHT NOW AND ABOUT 80 PERCENT OF  
5 OUR INMATES AWAITING ADJUDICATION.

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND. WE'RE MEETING WITH THE SHERIFF  
8 THIS AFTERNOON ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES. I CAN INCLUDE THAT IN  
9 OUR DISCUSSION WITH THEM AND THEN REPORT BACK TO YOU, WE CAN  
10 REPORT BACK SHORTLY. BUT NO LATER THAN NEXT WEEK, IF YOU LIKE.  
11 AT LEAST A VERBAL REPORT BACK.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THIS COMES FROM THE AUGUST THIRD  
14 RELATIVE TO GOVERNOR'S INMATE REDUCTION PROGRAM, HOW IT WORKS.

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL DO THAT. AS THE BUDGET EVOLVED, AND I  
17 KNOW THERE WAS MANY CHANGES. THERE'S ADDITIONS, THERE ARE  
18 SUBTRACTIONS. BUT THE LAST I HEARD, I THOUGHT THERE WAS A VERY  
19 MINIMAL IMPACT TO THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM. BUT WE'LL VERIFY IT  
20 FOR YOU IN OUR REPORT BACK.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT REDUCING IT BY  
23 27,300 OVER THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR. AND 8,500 FELONS WHO ARE NOT  
24 CITIZENS COULD HAVE THEIR SENTENCED COMMUTED BY THE GOVERNOR  
25 THEN TURNED OVER FOR DEPORTATION. BUT YOU STILL HAVE 19,000



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1 PEOPLE. THOSE 19,000, OUR JAIL POPULATION IS APPROXIMATELY  
2 20,000.

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4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** SURE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE A THIRD OF THOSE  
7 OR MORE, HOW DOES THAT IMPACT? AND HOW DO WE HOUSE THEM  
8 WITHOUT IMPACTING THOSE ALREADY ASSIGNED TO COUNTY JAILS FOR  
9 CRIMES COMMITTED?

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN THEY TALK ABOUT NONVIOLENT OFFENDERS WHO  
14 VIOLATE PAROLE WOULD NOT AUTOMATICALLY BE RETURNED TO PRISON.  
15 SO IF YOU HAD A MADOFF OR SOMEBODY LIKE THAT, IN A WHITE  
16 COLLAR CRIME WHO HAS DEFRAUDED SO MANY PEOPLE, THAT MEANS THEY  
17 CAN CONTINUE TO DEFRAUD WITHOUT FEAR OF GOING BACK TO PRISON.  
18 DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OKAY. WE'LL REPORT BACK ON THAT

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AND THEN THERE WAS -- THE TWO  
23 JOURNALISTS HAVE BEEN RELEASED FROM NORTH KOREA. I KNOW I  
24 TALKED TO THE MOTHER A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, SHE WAS AT A DINNER  
25 WHERE I WAS HONORED. SHE INDICATED THAT THEY THOUGHT CLINTON



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1 WAS -- THAT'S WHAT THEY WANTED TO HAVE THAT TYPE OF CONTACT.  
2 AND AS A RESULT, IT HAPPENED. SO THEY WERE OPTIMISTIC THAT  
3 THEY WOULD BE RELEASED. SO WE'RE VERY PLEASED WITH THAT. THERE  
4 WAS TODAY ON C.B.S. NEWS, THEY INDICATED ABOUT A RETIRED NEW  
5 JERSEY FIREFIGHTER AND FAMILY WHO SOLD ALL OF THEIR BELONGINGS  
6 AND MOVED TO FLORIDA. THEY PURCHASED A CONDO IN A 32-STORY  
7 BUILDING IN FORT MYERS. WHEN THEY ARRIVED, THEY FOUND OUT THEY  
8 WERE THE ONLY OCCUPANT OF THE BUILDING. WHAT WAS INTERESTING  
9 IS THAT THE PARKING LOT WHERE THEY PARK THEIR CAR, THE LIGHTS  
10 WERE TURNED OFF BY MANAGEMENT. THE TRASH BIN WAS PUT IN FRONT  
11 OF THEIR DOOR. THE AUTOMATIC DOORS TO THE CONDO WERE SHUT OFF.  
12 THE POOL LIGHTS WERE TURNED OFF. AND THERE WAS A SECURITY  
13 PROBLEM. BUT IT'S RELATED, IT'S THE DEVELOPER OF PROJECT. AND  
14 THE DEVELOPER, HIS RELATED COMPANIES, WHICH IS THE GROUP DOING  
15 GRAND AVENUE, I HAD BEEN TOLD OF OTHER PROBLEMS THEY'VE HAD IN  
16 DEALING. MY CONCERN'S ALWAYS BEEN WITH THE CALIBER OF THE  
17 DEVELOPER, NOT THE PROJECT, IN TURN. AND IF YOU COULD CHECK  
18 THAT OUT, IT'S ASSOCIATED PRESS, C.B.S. NEWS IS REPORTING THAT  
19 TODAY. THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** 61-A? IS THERE SPEAKER ON THAT? HELD THAT ITEM?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I SUBMIT THIS  
24 MATTER IN THE WAKE OF MUCH DISCUSSION AND FOCUS ON THE DEATH  
25 OF DAE'VON BAILEY, AND THE MORE WE LEARN ABOUT IT, THE MORE



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1 DISTURBING IT GETS. LAST WEEK, JOINED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2 LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY IN AN APPEAL TO THE COMMUNITY AS A  
3 WHOLE FOR HELP IN APPREHENDING THE SUSPECTS IN THE CASE OF  
4 DAE'VON BAILEY'S DEATH. THE ADULT CARETAKER KNOWN AS MARCUS  
5 FISHER BEING THE PRIMARY SUSPECT IN THE MURDER OF THIS CHILD  
6 AS IS BEING ASSERTED BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY. AND SO IT IS  
7 REALLY VERY BASIC. I BELIEVE, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE  
8 BOARD, IN EACH INSTANCE WHERE THE COMMUNITY COMES FORWARD TO  
9 HELP LAW ENFORCEMENT APPREHEND A SUSPECT, IT INCREASES RATHER  
10 SIGNIFICANTLY THE LIKELIHOOD OF THAT SUSPECT BEING  
11 APPREHENDED. THEREFORE THIS REWARD MOTION. WE ALSO HASTEN TO  
12 MAKE THE POINT THAT IT'S, WELL, THE PREVAILING POINT OF VIEW  
13 IS THAT THE REASON THAT MR. FISHER HAS NOT BEEN APPREHENDED TO  
14 DATE RELATES PRECISELY TO THE FACT THAT THERE ARE THOSE WHO  
15 ARE PERHAPS AND PROBABLY HARBORING HIM. WELL, THE FACT OF THE  
16 MATTER, IT SHOULD BE APPRECIATED THAT IF SUCH IS THE CASE,  
17 THOSE PERSONS INVOLVED PUT THEMSELVES IN HARM'S WAY. THAT IS,  
18 THEY ARE THEN SUBJECT TO THE FULL WEIGHT OF THE LAW, AS WELL.  
19 WE ARE ALL DUTY-BOUND TO DO THE RIGHT THING IN THIS INSTANCE.  
20 ANYONE KNOWING ANYTHING, PLEASE COME FORWARD. THUS THE MOTION  
21 TO THAT EFFECT, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THAT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
24 THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
25 ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS, PLEASE?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF  
3 ELOISA SAAVEDRA MARTINEZ. SHE IS THE BELOVED MOTHER OF JUAN  
4 CARLOS MARTINEZ, WHO IS A COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
5 SENIOR INTERGROUP SPECIALIST. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT  
6 CONDOLENCES TO JUAN AND HIS ENTIRE FAMILY.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. IS THAT IT? SUPERVISOR  
9 RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS, PLEASE?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. THERE ARE QUITE A  
12 NUMBER OF THEM AND I WILL DO JUSTICE TO THE FAMILIES, AND AT  
13 THE SAME TIME RESPECT THE TIME CONSTRAINTS UNDER WHICH WE ARE  
14 OPERATING. HENRY HOSKINS, LONGTIME LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENT  
15 AND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE GARDENA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
16 RECENTLY PASSED. HE WAS A DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER WHO  
17 ENJOYED VISITING AND SHARING MEMORABLE STORIES OF HIS LIFE AND  
18 WITH HIS FAMILY. HE LEAVES A LOVING FAMILY TO CHERISH HIS  
19 MEMORY. DARRYL KERR, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF COMPTON  
20 AND BROTHER-IN-LAW OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE STAFF MEMBER TWILA  
21 KERR, WHO RECENTLY PASSED ON JULY THE 25TH AT THE AGE OF 45.  
22 HE WAS A BOILER MAKER IN THE OIL REFINERY INDUSTRY. HIS  
23 PASSIONS WERE MUSIC, COOKING AND TRAVELING. HE LEAVES TO  
24 CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS SONS, DARRYL AND MARCUS; HIS PARENTS,  
25 ROBERT AND CHARLOTTE; HIS SISTERS, DENISE AND LINDA; AND



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1 BROTHERS, MICHAEL AND LARRY; ALONG WITH MANY OTHER FAMILY  
2 MEMBERS AND FRIENDS. HOWARD RANSOM, JR., A LONGTIME SECOND  
3 DISTRICT RESIDENT, COMMUNITY ACTIVIST AND ADULT EDUCATION  
4 TEACHER AND ADVOCATE WHO PASSED ON JULY THE 26TH AT THE AGE OF  
5 55. HE WAS DEDICATED TO YOUTH AT RISK AND THOSE ADULTS WHO  
6 WERE DISADVANTAGED THROUGHOUT COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS  
7 ANGELES FOR WELL OVER 30 YEARS. MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, HE  
8 WAS THE BENEFICIARY OF MANY, OR THE RECIPIENT OF MANY  
9 COMMUNITY RECOGNITIONS, NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH IS EDUCATOR OF  
10 THE YEAR, AWARDED BY YOUNG CENTER FOR ACADEMIC AND CULTURAL  
11 ENRICHMENT. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, LINDA;  
12 HIS FATHER, HOWARD SENIOR; HIS BROTHER, PHILIP; THREE  
13 STEPCHILDREN, MONIQUE, MAXWELL, AND BRANDON; ALONG WITH MANY,  
14 MANY FRIENDS AND A LOVING FAMILY. SHIRLEY BYRD, SECOND  
15 DISTRICT RESIDENT AND WIFE OF FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF  
16 LYNWOOD, LOUIS BIRD.

17  
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT, PLEASE.

19  
20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHO PASSED ON JULY THE 13TH AT THE AGE OF  
21 77. PRIOR TO HER RETIREMENT, WHILE LIVING IN SAN FRANCISCO,  
22 SHE WAS A FAITHFUL AND ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE PILGRIM COMMUNITY  
23 CHURCH, WHERE SHE SANG IN THE CHOIR. AFTER MARRIAGE, SHE  
24 JOINED CITIZENS OF ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH. SHE LEAVES  
25 TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER HUSBAND, LOUIS; HER SON, WENDELL;





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1 AND HER SISTER, YOLANDA; ALONG WITH MANY FRIENDS AND A LOVING  
2 FAMILY. ALBERT IVERSON, LONGTIME COMPTON RESIDENT AND BROTHER  
3 OF TIM IVERSON. AND THE IVERSON FAMILY HAS FOR MANY YEARS BEEN  
4 DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANTS AND RESIDENTS OF THE COMMUNITY OF  
5 COMPTON. THE WORK THAT THEY DO IS GREATLY APPRECIATED. AND TIM  
6 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS BROTHER, HIS SISTER, ALONG  
7 WITH A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. FINALLY, MR. CHAIRMAN,  
8 AUDREY MCCASKEY, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT  
9 AND LOVING WIFE OF I.S.D. EMPLOYEE ASSIGNED TO THE EIGHTH  
10 FLOOR, TURNER MCCASKEY, WHO PASSED AWAY JULY 27TH. SHE ENJOYED  
11 TRAVELING AND WORKED TIRELESSLY WITH HER HUSBAND TO COORDINATE  
12 HER FAMILY REUNIONS. HER HOBBY WAS BOWLING AND HOSTED  
13 TOURNAMENTS IN VARIOUS CITIES. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER  
14 MEMORY HER HUSBAND, TURNER; HER GODDAUGHTER, TRINA CHENEY; AND  
15 A HOST OF ADOPTED FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

16  
17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

18  
19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND WITH YOUR PERMISSION, THERE'S AN  
22 ADDITIONAL MOTION THAT I WOULD LIKE TO READ IN. IS THAT THE  
23 APPROPRIATE TIME TO DO SO?

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABSOLUTELY.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, YOU MAY  
3 RECALL HEARING ON SUNDAY MORNING, THAT IS AUGUST 2ND, JUST  
4 AFTER ONE 14-YEAR-OLD YOUNGSTER, SEMAJ SPENCER, WAS STRUCK AND  
5 KILLED BY A HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER ON IMPERIAL HIGHWAY JUST EAST  
6 OF CRENSHAW. WITNESSES SAID THE BOY, AND THIS IS A LITTLE  
7 GRAPHIC, SO BRACE YOURSELF, WAS KNOCKED OUT OF HIS SHOES AND  
8 DRAGGED SOME 50 FEET BY THE VEHICLE. THE DRIVER SPED AWAY.  
9 AUTHORITIES ARE LOOKING FOR A CAR THAT MAY BE A DARK RED FORD  
10 FOCUS WITH TINTED WINDOWS AND PROBABLY HAS MAJOR FRONT-END  
11 DAMAGE. SO WE SUBMIT THIS MOTION IN SEARCH OF THOSE PERSONS  
12 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF THIS CHILD WHO WAS STRUCK AND  
13 KILLED IN A HIT-AND-RUN ON THIS SAID TIME AND PLACE, MR.  
14 CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND THAT.  
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. I HAVE SEVERAL  
18 ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL -- I'M SORRY, ZEV, GO AHEAD.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO PROBLEM. MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE SEVERAL  
21 ADJOURNING MOTIONS. FIRST I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT THE BOARD  
22 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LILY BURK, A 17-YEAR-OLD STUDENT AT  
23 OAKWOOD SCHOOL IN NORTH HOLLYWOOD, WHO WAS MURDERED IN  
24 DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES A LITTLE OVER A WEEK AGO. SHE WAS  
25 ACCOSTED WHILE RETURNING TO HER CAR AFTER RETRIEVING SOME



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1 PAPERS FROM HER MOTHER'S OFFICE AT THE SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY  
2 SCHOOL OF LAW. SHE WAS A YOUNG WOMAN OF GREAT PROMISE WITH A  
3 DEMONSTRATED APTITUDE ON COMPUTERS. WAS SAID TO STAR IN A NOW  
4 CANCELLED SCHOOL PLAY, AND HAD BEEN VOLUNTEERING AT A DOWNTOWN  
5 HOMELESS SERVICES DRUG TREATMENT FACILITY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY  
6 HER PARENTS, MUSIC JOURNALIST GREG BURK AND LIBEL ATTORNEY AND  
7 ADJUNCT LAW PROFESSOR DEBRA DROOZ, AND MANY OTHER FRIENDS AND  
8 RELATIVES RELATIVES. ALL MEMBERS.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALSO, SHE WAS ALSO A RESIDENT OF LOS FELIZ  
13 IN OUR DISTRICT. BEVERLY DEUTSCH, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR  
14 DISTRICT AND OUR COMMUNITY, MY NEIGHBORHOOD AND A GOOD FRIEND  
15 OF MY OFFICE, WHO PASSED AWAY LATE LAST WEEK. SHE AND HER  
16 HUSBAND SANFORD DEUTSCH WERE ACTIVE IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY,  
17 INVOLVED WITH THE ORTHODOX UNION, CONGREGATION SHAREI TEFILAH,  
18 AND THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND, AMONG MANY OTHER CAUSES. SHE IS  
19 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, SANFORD, AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS,  
20 ALONG WITH MANY FRIENDS. SHE DIED AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. RUDY  
21 ORTEGA, SR., OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "CHIEF LITTLE BEAR," BELOVED  
22 TRIBAL LEADER OF THE FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION  
23 INDIANS, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE SAN FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION  
24 INDIANS, RECENTLY DIED TRAGICALLY IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.  
25 HE WAS BORN IN 1926. HE DISCOVERED HIS INDIAN HERITAGE AS A



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1 TEENAGER. AFTER MILITARY SERVICE IN WORLD WAR II IN WHICH HE  
2 SAW ACTION IN THE PACIFIC THEATER, HE RETURNED HOME AND BEGAN  
3 A LIFELONG COMMITMENT TO ORGANIZING HIS COMMUNITY AND  
4 PRESERVING THE HISTORY AND CULTURE OF HIS TRIBE. HE ADVOCATED  
5 TIRELESSLY FOR FEDERAL AND STATE RECOGNITION, PROTECTION OF  
6 SACRED INDIAN SITES AND THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE.  
7 CHIEF LITTLE BEAR WAS A FATHER, AN ELDER, A CHIEF, A CAPTAIN,  
8 PRESIDENT, COMMUNITY BUILDER, AND SOCIAL ACTIVIST. HE IS  
9 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CELIA, HIS SON, RUDY, JR., WHO IS A  
10 TRIBAL ADMINISTRATOR, AND NINE OTHER CHILDREN, 49  
11 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 54 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. AND THIS IS THE  
12 UNDERSTATEMENT, MANY OTHER RELATIVES AND TRIBAL MEMBERS.  
13 LASTLY, TOM RUNYON, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT, A  
14 FICTION WRITER, ACTOR, AND SCION OF THE FAMILY FOR WHOM RUNYON  
15 CANYON IN HOLLYWOOD HILLS WAS NAMED. RECENTLY DIED OF CANCER  
16 AT THE AGE OF 89 IN MALIBU, AT HIS HOME IN MALIBU. HE WAS BORN  
17 IN WASHINGTON D.C. IN 1920. HIS FATHER, CHARLES, WAS A STATE  
18 DEPARTMENT LAWYER AND MOTHER AN ARTIST AND SCULPTOR. THE  
19 FAMILY MOVED TO L.A. WHEN HE WAS THREE. AS A YOUNG BOY, HE  
20 GREW UP HUNTING AND HIKING IN THE CANYON HIS COAL-BARON  
21 GRANDFATHER PURCHASED AND RENAMED FOR HIMSELF. HE SERVED IN  
22 WORLD WAR II IN THE ARMY AIR SERVICES, FLYING CARGO MISSIONS  
23 OVER NORTH AFRICA AND ITALY, DRAWING ON HIS EXPERIENCES AND  
24 WRITING FOR MEN'S ADVENTURE MAGAZINES. HE MARRIED HIS WIFE,  
25 BARBARA, IN 1961. AND LATER, IN 1969, OPENED A LEGENDARY OLD



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1 WEST SALOON-TYPE RESTAURANT IN MALIBU CALLED THE OLD PLACE. IT  
2 BECAME A POPULAR CELEBRITY GATHERING POT. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
3 HIS WIFE OF 48 YEARS, BARBARA; A SON, MORGAN; AND A DAUGHTER,  
4 ALESSANDRA; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING  
5 MOTIONS.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, I HAD ONE MORE, I'M SORRY. MARK ETZEL,  
10 LONGTIME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER FOR H.I.V.  
11 IDENTIFICATION, PREVENTION, AND TREATMENT SERVICES FOR THE  
12 U.C.L.A.-SEMEL INSTITUTE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH. PASSED  
13 AWAY AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH LYMPHOMA. MARK WAS A GOOD FRIEND  
14 OF OUR OFFICE WHO WORKED CLOSELY WITH US FOR MANY YEARS IN  
15 SEVERAL DIFFERENT CAPACITIES FOR AIDS PROJECT LOS ANGELES. IN  
16 ANNOUNCING MARK'S PASSING, DR. MARY JANE ROTHERAM-BORUS,  
17 PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR AT U.C.L.A. SEMEL INSTITUTE, DESCRIBED  
18 MARK AS "A STRONG AND CARING INDIVIDUAL, A VALUABLE ASSET TO  
19 THE UNIVERSITY, AS WELL AS TO THE LARGER LOS ANGELES  
20 COMMUNITY. THE LEADERSHIP, STRENGTH AND CLARITY THAT HIS  
21 PRESENCE BROUGHT TO OUR COMMUNITY WILL BE A TREMENDOUS LOSS."  
22 MARK IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARTNER, ART BRISOLARA, FAMILY  
23 MEMBERS, AND MANY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES. HE WAS A GREAT HELP  
24 TO US AND TO THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS,  
2    AS WELL. FIRST OF ALL AND I WOULD ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME  
3    IN THIS THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BYRNA LOWENTHAL, THE  
4    MOTHER OF STATE SENATOR ALAN LOWENTHAL, WHO PASSED AWAY JULY  
5    17TH. SHE WAS 97. SHE WAS KNOWN AS A WONDERFUL COOK AND HER  
6    HOME WAS A GATHERING PLACE FOR HER CHILDREN'S FRIENDS. SHE HAD  
7    THREE SONS AND A DAUGHTER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS,  
8    ALAN AND GARY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GOOD  
9    FRIEND, PETER GARDINER, RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY COUNCIL  
10   MEMBER WHO PASSED AWAY JULY 25TH AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH  
11   MELANOMA. HE WAS 68-YEAR-OLD. HE WAS FIRST ELECTED PUBLIC  
12   OFFICE IN 1993 AS A MEMBER OF THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA BOARD  
13   OF EDUCATION. IN 2001, HE WAS ELECTED TO CITY COUNCIL AND  
14   REELECTED IN 2005. HE HAD A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ELECTRICAL  
15   ENGINEERING AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN PH.D. IN SYSTEMS  
16   MANAGEMENT. HE WAS THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE SOUTHERN  
17   CALIFORNIA SAFETY INSTITUTE WHERE HE TAUGHT COURSES IN  
18   AVIATION SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT, SAFETY MANAGEMENT, AIRCRAFT  
19   ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION, AND SAFETY DECISION MAKING. HE IS  
20   SURVIVED BY HIS SON, CHRISTOPHER; DAUGHTER, CHRISTINE; AND  
21   FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DEXTER  
22   LIMA, NARBONNE HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL PLAYER, WHO TRAGICALLY  
23   PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 17, A LITTLE MORE THAN 24 HOURS  
24   AFTER HE WAS KNOCKED UNDERWATER BY A WAVE WHILE SWIMMING. HE  
25   IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, ELAINE; SISTER, RENEE; AND BROTHER



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1 REESE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ART DAWSON, A LONG  
2 BEACH RESIDENT AND AN EMPLOYEE OF OUR DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES  
3 AND HARBORS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 28TH, WITHIN ONE WEEK OF  
4 FINDING OUT THAT HE HAD LIVER CANCER. HE WAS 57 YEARS OLD. HE  
5 SERVED US AS A GROUND MAINTENANCE WORKER. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
6 HIS WIFE, PATRICIA; TWO DAUGHTERS, CRYSTAL AND TIFFANY; AND  
7 SON, NICHOLAS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROGER CROW,  
8 WHO PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY ON JULY 22ND. HE WORKED IN OUR  
9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR 31 YEARS. HE RETIRED AS  
10 AN ASSISTANT CHIEF IN 1998. HE MENTORED MANY ASPIRING  
11 FIREFIGHTERS AS WELL AS TAUGHT AT THE NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY IN  
12 MARYLAND. HE WAS VERY INVOLVED IN MANY ORGANIZATIONS, WHERE HE  
13 ALWAYS VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE A SUPPORTIVE LEADERSHIP ROLE. HE IS  
14 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CAROLYN; THREE SONS, DOUGLAS, DONALD,  
15 DAVID; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY  
16 OF CIRA GARCES, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF DOWNEY. SHE IS SURVIVED  
17 BY HER CHILDREN, LARRY AND TERESA; THREE GRANDCHILDREN; A  
18 BROTHER AND A SISTER. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOSEPHINE  
19 GOMBRICH, A RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD FOR MANY YEARS. SHE WAS A  
20 LONGTIME VOLUNTEER AT THE PATHWAYS VOLUNTEER HOSPICE, AND WAS  
21 VERY ACTIVE IN MANY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. SHE IS SURVIVED  
22 BY HER SIX CHILDREN, JOANNE, DENISE, ROBERT, SCOTT, THOMAS,  
23 AND STEVEN; HER SISTER, DORA; SIX GRANDCHILDREN; NIECES AND  
24 NEPHEWS AND WILL BE MISSED BY MANY FAMILY AND FRIENDS. FINALLY  
25 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ELIN BREKKE VANDERLIP, DAUGHTER-





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1 IN-LAW OF FRANK VANDERLIP, THE MAN WHO ASSEMBLED THE SYNDICATE  
2 AND THEN IN 1913, BOUGHT THE ENTIRE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA.  
3 SHE PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 90. SHE WOULD RAISE  
4 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR THE NONPROFIT SHE FOUNDED, THE FRIENDS  
5 OF FRENCH ART. THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT APPOINTED HER AS  
6 COMMANDER OF THE ORDER OF ARTS AND LETTERS. SHE WAS ALSO ONE  
7 OF THE RARE FOREIGN WOMEN TO RECEIVE THE FRENCH LEGION OF  
8 HONOR. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SONS, CALVIN, JR., HENRIK;  
9 DAUGHTERS, KATRINA AND NARCISSA; AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE  
10 ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, SO ORDERED. PUBLIC COMMENTS. I ASK DANIEL  
11 GARCIA TO JOIN US. DAMIEN GOODMAN. EDDIE JONES. AND ANTHONY  
12 TROY WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR. OKAY. MR. GARCIA, GO AHEAD. GO  
13 AHEAD, MR. GARCIA.

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15 **DANIEL GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING.

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19 **DANIEL GARCIA:** I HAVE A REAL CONCERN. AND THIS HAS TO BE THE  
20 MEDICAL CENTER IN OLIVE VIEW, U.C.L.A., THIS IS MY CONCERN IS  
21 THIS AREA. I WAS HOSPITALIZED IN THAT AREA. AND TWO OF MY MAIN  
22 CONCERNS ARE THAT THEY WERE VERY PROFESSIONAL, THEY WERE THEY  
23 WERE VERY KIND, THEY VERY, VERY PERSONABLE. BUT IN REGARD TO  
24 ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT I HAVE CONCERN IS WHY IS IT THAT IT'S  
25 SO EASY FOR GETTING OUR BIBLE AND NOT SO EASY TO REQUEST A



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1 BILL OF RIGHTS FOR THE PATIENT. I ASKED A NURSE TO GIVE ME THE  
2 BILL OF RIGHTS. AND SHE REFUSED TO GIVE ME THE BILL OF RIGHTS.  
3 I ASKED THE HEAD NURSE FOR THE BILL OF RIGHTS. SHE ACTUALLY  
4 GAVE ME THE BILL OF RIGHTS. SECOND OF ALL, I WANT TO SAY WHY  
5 IS IT SO QUICK IN GETTING A RABBI AND A SOCIAL WORKER IN THE  
6 HOSPITAL? SO BECAUSE I REQUEST A SOCIAL WORKER. THE SOCIAL  
7 WORKER -- WAS ACTUALLY NOT GIVING ME THE TIME THAT I NEED IN  
8 THE HOSPITAL. AND I WAS ASKING THE QUESTION FOR INFORMATION.  
9 IS THE SOCIAL WORKER, SHE WAS HELPFUL IN GIVING ME THIS BOOK.  
10 IN THE BILL OF RIGHTS. MY MAIN CONCERN IS ARE THE PEOPLE WHO  
11 ARE NOT ABLE TO TALK TO ME OR COME HERE TO DO WHAT I'M DOING  
12 RIGHT NOW BECAUSE THAT IS THEIR MAIN CONCERN, THIS  
13 INFORMATION.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, DO YOU  
16 WANT TO HAVE SOME OF YOUR STAFF TALK TO HIM ABOUT THE BILL OF  
17 RIGHTS AT HOSPITAL OLIVE VIEW? OKAY. NEXT, I WOULD ASK --  
18 BEFORE YOU BEGIN, MR. JONES, I WOULD ASK ARNOLD SACHS, AND  
19 THEN LAST WE'LL GO TO NICOLE PARSON, EXCUSE ME, IN LANCASTER.  
20 MR. JONES?

21

22 **EDDIE JONES:** FIRST OF ALL, GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE ENTIRE  
23 SUPERVISORY BOARD. THIS IS THE HOME GOING CELEBRATION FOR A  
24 YOUNG MAN, DAE'VON RASHON BAILEY. I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE  
25 MOTHER SINCE DAY ONE. ALL THE PRESS YOU SAW ON TV, THE



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1 INTERVIEWS ON C.N.N., THE RADIO SHOWS ON K.J.L.H., 93.5 THE  
2 BEAT. I MADE THAT ALL POSSIBLE. I DID NOT WANT IT TO FALL ON  
3 DEAF EARS THAT THERE'S A PROBLEM. THIS CHILD WAS CRYING OUT TO  
4 GET HELP. HE WENT TO THE SCHOOL AND HE CRIED OUT TO GET HELP.  
5 HE TOLD THEM "I'M HURTING. PLEASE, SOMEBODY HELP ME.."  
6 HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES DROPPED  
7 THE BALL ON THIS CHILD. THERE'S A LOT OF KIDS THAT HAVE DIED  
8 IN THIS SYSTEM. UNFORTUNATELY. AND IT'S SO UNFORTUNATE THAT  
9 DAE'VON RASHON BAILEY HAD TO BE AN AVENUE TO GET EYES AND EARS  
10 TO HEAR AND SEE THIS GIGANTIC, ENORMOUS PROBLEM THAT'S WITHIN  
11 THE SYSTEM THAT NEEDS TO BE RECTIFIED, ANALYZED, EVALUATED AND  
12 RE-ESTABLISHED. I'M DEPENDING ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND  
13 I REALLY APPRECIATE EVERY ONE OF YOU TO MOVE NOT ONLY SWIFTLY  
14 BUT AS WISE AND AS INTELLIGENT AS YOU CAN TO MAKE THE ONES  
15 THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE ACTIONS. THE SOCIAL WORKERS  
16 THAT ARE NOT DOING WHAT THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO DO, I ASK THAT YOU  
17 CALL ON AN INDEPENDENT, INTERNAL INVESTIGATION LIKE YOU'RE  
18 DOING. THAT'S GREAT. BECAUSE EVERYONE HAS TO BE RESPONSIBLE  
19 FOR A HUMAN BEING'S LIFE. AND THERE'S NO LIFE MORE IMPORTANT  
20 THAN A CHILD'S LIFE WHO HAD A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT, A HUMAN  
21 RIGHT AND A CIVIL RIGHT TO LIVE. UNFORTUNATELY IT WAS STOLEN  
22 AWAY BY MARCUS FISHER. I CAN'T WAIT, AND I STILL DON'T  
23 UNDERSTAND WHY MARCUS FISHER IS NOT OFF THE STREETS YET. I  
24 THINK THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY SERVICES SHOULD HAVE THEIR  
25 INVESTIGATOR, THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD HAVE



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1    THEIR INVESTIGATOR, THE L.A.P.D. SHOULD HAVE THEIR  
2    INVESTIGATORS ON IT, AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, EVERYBODY,  
3    INCLUDING THE F.B.I., SHOULD BE FINDING THIS GUY. WE GOT EYES  
4    IN THE SKY. THERE'S NO REASON WHY THIS GENTLEMAN -- HE'S NOT  
5    EVEN A GENTLEMAN, THIS HUMAN BEING, MARCUS FISHER, SHOULD  
6    STILL BE FREE. HE BEAT THAT CHILD TO HIS DEATH. TO HIS DEATH.  
7    THE MOTHER TOLD ME THAT WHEN SHE VIEWED THE BODY, MARCUS, I  
8    MEAN DAE'VON'S MOUTH WAS STILL OPEN. THAT MEANS HE WAS  
9    SCREAMING FOR HELP EVEN IN HIS DEATH. SO, LAST BUT NOT LEAST,  
10   I THANK YOU FOR HEARING ME TODAY. BUT WE ALL HAVE A RIGHT TO  
11   MAKE SURE THAT THE RIGHT THINGS ARE DONE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH  
12   AND HAVE A WONDERFUL DAY. I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH HER SINCE DAY  
13   ONE OF THE DEATH OF HER SON.

14

15   **SUP. MOLINA:** DO YOU KNOW THAT SHE WAS -- HAS BEEN A REFERRAL  
16   TO THIS DEPARTMENT FOR OVER SEVEN YEARS?

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18   **EDDIE JONES:** YES, MA'AM.

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20   **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT IF YOU KNOW THAT AND YOU KNOW SHE HAS HAD A  
21   LOT OF THESE ISSUES, AND SHE HAS OTHER CHILDREN THAT ARE NOT  
22   YET DEAD, I MEAN, IT ISN'T WHAT WE NEED TO INVESTIGATE.  
23   OBVIOUSLY YOU NEED TO WORK, IF YOU ARE WORKING WITH THIS  
24   MOTHER, IT ISN'T ABOUT GETTING ATTENTION AND POINTING THE



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1 FINGER. THE FIRST LINE OF PROTECTION FOR ANY CHILD IS THE  
2 PARENT.

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4 **EDDIE JONES:** AND I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL THEN CONSEQUENTLY, I WOULD SUGGEST, AND I'M  
7 READING THE REVIEW OF THE FILE RIGHT NOW OF THE PARENTING SHE  
8 RECEIVED, OF THE SERVICES SHE RECEIVED, OF THE CONSTANT  
9 SUPERVISION TO MAINTAIN HER HOUSE SHE RECEIVED. AND HOW SHE  
10 LEFT A CHILD WITH A MAN WHO NOW SHE WANTS TO GO OUT LOOKING  
11 FOR IS AMAZING TO ME THAT SHE CAN CALL HERSELF A MOTHER.

12

13 **EDDIE JONES:** MISS MOLINA, ALL DUE RESPECT TO YOU, I WASN'T  
14 THERE BECAUSE OF WHAT HER PAST WAS.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE WERE.

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18 **EDDIE JONES:** I WAS THERE BECAUSE HER CHILD WAS DEAD. AND HE  
19 WAS KILLED. HE WAS MURDERED.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND, GUESS WHAT? YOU NEED TO HELP NOW, YOU NEED  
22 TO GO BACK AND SIT DOWN WITH THIS MOMMY AND TELL HER SHE HAS  
23 OTHER CHILDREN TO TAKE CARE OF. SHE HAS TO GET HER HOUSE IN  
24 ORDER.

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1 **EDDIE JONES:** AND SHE'S GOING TO NEED HELP TO DO THAT. SHE'S  
2 GOING TO NEED A LOT OF HELP.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS PARENTING SERVICES, THESE ARE BUS TOKENS.  
5 THIS IS HOUSING ASSISTANCE. THIS IS MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING.  
6 THIS IS COUNSELING THAT SHE IS RECEIVING. NOW, AT A POINT IN  
7 TIME, THERE HAS TO BE SOME OWNERSHIP, SIR. I KNOW I HAVE  
8 OWNERSHIP HERE, AS WELL. THIS CHILD DIED AT THE HANDS OF  
9 SOMEONE HE WAS LEFT WITH, WHICH IS MY RESPONSIBILITY AND THE  
10 COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY. BUT YOU NEED, IF YOU HAVE ANY  
11 RELATIONSHIP WITH THIS MOMMY, YOU NEED TO GO BACK AND REMIND  
12 HER THAT SHE HAS AN AWFUL LOT OF WORK TO DO. HER CHILD IS  
13 DEAD. OUR CHILD -- EXCUSE ME.

14

15 **EDDIE JONES:** THERE'S A LOT OF KIDS.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** EXCUSE ME. OUR CHILD IS DEAD. BUT THE REALITY IS,  
18 SHE HAS OTHER CHILDREN. SHE HAS OTHER CHILDREN. SHE HAS A DUTY  
19 AND A RESPONSIBILITY TO TAKE CARE OF. AND I AM NOT SEEING THAT  
20 AS YET. SO YOU GO A LONG WAY TO PROVIDE SOME ADVICE TO HER TO  
21 START GETTING HERSELF TOGETHER, DEAL WITH HER ISSUES. BECAUSE  
22 SHE IS HAVING CHILDREN THAT VERY, FRANKLY, WITH ALL OF THE  
23 SERVICES THAT WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING HER, OBVIOUSLY HAS NOT  
24 LED TO ANY ASSISTANCE TO HER. AND SHE HAS A DUTY.

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1 **EDDIE JONES:** AND I THANK YOU FOR SPEAKING OUT NOW. IF I'D LIKE  
2 TO RESPOND TO WHAT YOU JUST SAID. THERE'S A LOT OF KIDS IN THE  
3 SYSTEM THAT ARE SUFFERING. THERE'S A LOT OF MOTHERS. AND  
4 PLEASE LET ME FINISH MY STATEMENT. I DID LISTEN TO YOU. AND I  
5 GAVE YOU THE FLOOR.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT IN ALL DUE  
8 RESPECT, NOT THE GENERIC PIECE. SHE WAS TALKING TO A VERY  
9 SPECIFIC CASE.

10

11 **EDDIE JONES:** I'M GOING TO TALK TO THE SPECIFIC CASE. I MET THE  
12 CHILDREN AT THE FUNERAL. I MET ALL THE CHILDREN. AND YES, SHE  
13 DOES HAVE RESPONSIBILITY. BUT FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND RIGHT  
14 NOW, SHE'S GETTING INTO PARENTING CLASSES.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** POINT OF ORDER, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, WE'VE GOT A CALL TO -- HOLD ON.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** FOUR YEARS OF PARENTING.

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22 **EDDIE JONES:** AND I UNDERSTAND THAT.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CHAIRMAN, POINT OF ORDER.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CHAIR RECOGNIZES SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
2    THOMAS.

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4    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS A TYPICAL CONVENTION OF PUBLIC  
5    COMMENT NOT TO HAVE WHAT IS REDUCIBLE TO A BACK AND FORTH  
6    BETWEEN A MEMBER OF THE BOARD AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. MR.  
7    CHAIRMAN, I WOULD TRUST THAT WE CAN ABIDE BY THOSE RULES IN  
8    THIS INSTANCE AND I WOULD MOVE THE AGENDA.

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10   **SUP. MOLINA:** FAIR ENOUGH.

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12   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FAIR ENOUGH. ANTHONY TROY.

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14   **ANTHONY TROY:** HI, SUPERVISOR, BOARD MEMBERS, GOOD AFTERNOON.  
15   MY NAME IS ANTHONY TROY. I SPOKE A LITTLE BIT PREVIOUSLY, AND  
16   I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT SOME THINGS IN THIS MANNER OF WITH CHILD  
17   PROTECTION SERVICES IS GOING TO BE LOOKED AT AND MORE TRAINING  
18   IN SOCIAL WORKERS AND OFFICIALS AND THINGS ARE GOING TO BE  
19   LOOKED AT. I HAVE A PARTICULAR -- EACH CASE, EACH CHILD  
20   PROTECTION SERVICE CASE IS DIFFERENT. AND MY SPECIFIC CASE AND  
21   EVERYTHING, MY WIFE, THE MOTHER OF THE CHILDREN, HAS ABDUCTED  
22   THE CHILDREN THREE TIMES, HAS 19 SPECIAL LISTED CHARGES WITH  
23   CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES. AND I ASKED BEFORE FOR SOME OF  
24   THESE THINGS TO BE LOOKED AT AND WHY THE MOTHER OF THESE  
25   CHILDREN, WHO HAS THE CUSTODY OF THE CHILDREN, AND MAY I ADD



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1 PREVIOUSLY I'VE HAD SOLE LEGAL PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF MY  
2 CHILDREN. AND THEY KEEP OVERLOOKING THE MOTHER OF THE CHILDREN  
3 ABDUCTING THE CHILDREN FOR THE THIRD TIME. EVERYTHING IS  
4 DOCUMENTED I'M SPEAKING. AND THAT HOW THE MOTHER OF THESE  
5 CHILDREN HAS CUSTODY WHEN THE CHILDREN, THE PATTERNS AND  
6 EVERYTHING SHOW THE YOUTH THERE SEEMS TO BE A PATTERN IN THE  
7 FAMILY ON HER SIDE AND HER HERSELF NOT FOLLOWING THE RULES AND  
8 EVERYTHING OF SOCIETY AND INVOLVED IN A LOT OF CRIMINAL  
9 ACTIVITY AND FRAUD. AND ALSO HAS A HISTORY OF NEGLECT. I'M  
10 TRYING TO DO THE SAME THING FORTH AS A FATHER, LOVE MY  
11 CHILDREN AND EVERYTHING, TO KEEP THEM SAFE AND IN A GOOD  
12 SOCIETY GROWING UP. SO I ASK ONCE AGAIN FOR HELP AND  
13 EVERYTHING. AND GOD BLESS YOU LOOKING AT THINGS AND REVIEWING  
14 SOME OF THESE CASES NOW.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** COULD WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM THE  
17 DEPARTMENT TO VISIT WITH THIS GENTLEMAN? IS THERE SOMEONE FROM  
18 THE DEPARTMENT OUT THERE? D.C.F.S.? ANYONE? OKAY. THE LADY  
19 RIGHT HERE WILL, IF YOU'LL STEP DOWN OVER HERE, HERE, THIS  
20 LADY RIGHT OVER HERE WILL VISIT WITH YOU. ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS  
21 AND THEN WE WILL WELCOME NICOLE PARSON FROM LANCASTER. MR.  
22 SACHS?

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24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANKS. GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO  
25 JUST TALK A FEW MINUTES, TAKE SOME TIME TO DISCUSS AN ARTICLE



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1    THAT I JUST READ FROM THE L.A. CAN, IT'S A CITY MAGAZINE. IT'S  
2    DEALING WITH THE D.N.A. BACKLOG. BASICALLY WITH THE CITY, BUT  
3    I THINK IT HAS REPERCUSSIONS FOR THE COUNTY, ALSO. AND A  
4    COUPLE OF ITEMS IN THIS ARTICLE STAND OUT. NUMBER ONE, IT  
5    TALKS ABOUT CONTROLLER LAURA CHICK POINTING OUT THAT IN 2008,  
6    THERE WAS 7,000 D.N.A., A BACKLOG OF 7,000 D.N.A. RAPE KITS IN  
7    L.A.P.D. SHE SAID, IN THIS ARTICLE IT STATES, "HER REPORT ALSO  
8    MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE BACKLOG WAS REVEALED IN 2002. AND AT  
9    THAT TIME, THE BACKLOG CONSISTED OF BETWEEN 1,800 AND 2,500  
10    UNTESTED KITS." ALSO IN THIS ARTICLE, IT STATES THAT "IN 2004,  
11    PRESIDENT BUSH SIGNED A CONSOLIDATION APPROPRIATIONS ACT WHICH  
12    ALLOCATED \$100 MILLION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO BE  
13    DISPENSED TO CITIES THROUGHOUT THE NATION WHERE BACKLOGS OF  
14    UNTESTED D.N.A. EVIDENCE EXISTED." AND I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S  
15    JUST THE CITIES OR WOULD HAVE INCLUDED ALL GOVERNMENT  
16    AGENCIES. BUT WHAT IS ALSO INTERESTING IN HERE IS IT STATES  
17    THAT IN THE LATE 1990S, THE CITY OF NEW YORK HAD A BACKLOG OF  
18    17,000 RAPE EVIDENCE KITS. THIS BACKLOG WAS COMPLETELY CLEARED  
19    OUT IN A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS. SO, IN THE LATE 1990S, IF YOU  
20    GO BACK TO 1999 AND YOU ADD THREE YEARS TO THAT, IT'S THE YEAR  
21    2002. SO PRIOR TO ANY OF THIS FUNDING FROM THE PRESIDENT  
22    SIGNING THE CONSOLIDATION APPROPRIATIONS ACT, NEW YORK CITY  
23    WAS ABLE TO CLEAR UP A BACKLOG OF 17,000 RAPE KITS. HERE,  
24    AFTER THE FUNDING, THIS CONSOLIDATION BILL IS ENACTED, L.A.'S  
25    RAPE KIT BACKLOG GROWS. THERE'S ANOTHER DISCONNECT THERE. HOW



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1 COME WITH FUNDING, THE RAPE KIT CRISIS IS GROWING IN L.A.? AND  
2 WITHOUT FUNDING, NEW YORK WAS ABLE TO ELIMINATE A BACKLOG OF  
3 17,000 RAPE KITS? MAYBE WE SHOULD PUT A CALL INTO NEW YORK TO  
4 FIND OUT HOW THEY DID IT.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (COMMENT OFF MIC).

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL, EVIDENTLY THEY SEEM TO BE ABLE TO  
9 ELIMINATE SOME PROBLEMS THAT HAVE BEEN AROUND FOR YEARS AND  
10 YEARS AND YEARS. AND WHEN I WAS GROWING UP, I WAS A METS FAN.  
11 MAYBE THAT EXPLAINS SOMETHING. MAYBE THEY'RE SHIPPING THEM TO  
12 CALIFORNIA, THAT COULD BE IT.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOU COME VIA GREYHOUND?

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST LIKE THEY TRIED TO GET RID OF THAT TRASH A  
17 FEW YEARS AGO. THAT GARBAGE SCOW.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THAT'S THEIR NEW PROPOSAL THAT THEY'RE  
20 IMPLEMENTING. YOU'VE SEEN THAT IN THE PAPER.

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22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST THOUGHT I'D BRING THAT UP. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, IF YOU'LL READ US INTO CLOSED  
25 SESSION, THANK YOU.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU HAVE ONE MORE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE'S ONE MORE. NICOLE PARSON.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, I'M SORRY, NICOLE. NICOLE PARSON,  
7 LANCASTER.

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9 **NICOLE PARSON:** OH, HELLO.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS, ARNOLD. GOOD STAFF WORK, ARNOLD.  
12 GO AHEAD.

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14 **NICOLE PARSON:** HI. HI. I FEEL REALLY BAD ABOUT BEING SO  
15 EMOTIONAL AND LOUD EARLIER, BECAUSE I'M HERE TRYING TO BE  
16 PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS. AND WELL, I GUESS THERE'S ONLY LIKE  
17 TWO CHOICES IN LIFE. EITHER I GUESS TO INVENT YOURSELF OR NOT  
18 GIVE A CARE ABOUT ANYONE OR ANYTHING AND STILL LIKE LIE AND  
19 KILL. OR BUT TO HAVE INTEGRITY AND TO EITHER SPEAK UP AGAINST  
20 OR TAKE A STANCE AGAINST SOMETHING THAT'S WRONG OR SOMETHING.  
21 SO, OKAY, BUT AT EVERY POINT, THE CONTRACTORS JUST LIKE FAIL  
22 ME. AND EVEN LIKE THE SHERIFFS WERE HERE TODAY. AND I JUST  
23 WISH THAT WE COULD GET OVER THAT. I MEAN I COULD GET OVER  
24 THAT. I JUST REMEMBER, MISS MOLINA, HOW YOU SAID THAT YOUR  
25 GUYS' METHOD WAS TO WORK TO DENY LIKE THE CLAIMS AND STUFF.



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1 BUT YOU KNOW HOW LIKE RUDOLPH THE REINDEER, AND LIKE ONE  
2 PERSON STARTS LAUGHING AND THEN SOMEONE JUST DISCREDITS THE  
3 PERSON AND SO THEY JUST ARE JUST LIKE USED AS LIKE A PIECE OF  
4 UNRECYCLABLES, YOU KNOW. OR LIKE THE SIDEWALK AND JUST SPIT ON  
5 OR WHATEVER. AND SO I REALLY WISH WE COULD GET OVER THAT.  
6 BECAUSE YOU KNOW HOW MR. OBAMA AND MRS. CLINTON, THE SECRETARY  
7 OF STATE, SAID THEY HAVE TO GET THE WATER RIGHTS IN OTHER  
8 COUNTRIES AND STUFF? AND OH, AND THINKS BECAUSE MRS. CLINTON  
9 SAID -- SHE SAID IN THE WAY OF SPEECH AND ACTIONS. SO I JUST  
10 WANT TO MAYBE MAKE A -- IS IT OKAY TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO  
11 COME DOWN AND MAYBE TALK INSIDE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
12 FOR SOME OF THESE PROCUREMENTS AND GETTING MY CONTRACTING  
13 ACQUISITIONS OR ACCOUNTABILITY RIGHTS IN THE OFFICE OF  
14 FINANCE? IS THAT OKAY IF I MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AND COME DOWN  
15 SO THAT I COULD MAYBE HELP WITH I.T. IN THESE IMPORTANT  
16 ISSUES? OR PROGRAMS. THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE WELCOME. THANK YOU. IF YOU'LL  
19 READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE, THANK YOU.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
22 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
23 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-2, CS-3 AND  
24 CS-4, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING  
25 LITIGATION, AND ITEM NO. CS-6, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL



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1 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS  
2 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1    **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON AUGUST 4, 2009**

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5    In Open Session, item CS-1 was continued two weeks to August  
6    18, 2009.

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8    CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

9    (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Marshall  
10   v. County of Los Angeles, Superior Court Case No. BC 377071

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12   This case arises from civil rights violations alleged against  
13   the Department of Children and Family Services. (09-1576)

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15   ACTION TAKEN: The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuits  
16   titled Marshall v. County of Los Angeles.

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18   The substance of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry  
19   by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final  
20   following approval by all parties.

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22   The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being  
23   present.

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1 CS-3. The Board continued this item one week to August 11,  
2 2009.

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4 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
5 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Charles  
6 R. Drew University of Medicine & Science v. County of Los  
7 Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. TC 020 609

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9 This is a lawsuit alleging breach of a Medical School  
10 Affiliation Agreement. (07-1221)

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12 ACTION TAKEN: The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuits  
13 titled Charles R. Drew University of Medicine & Science v.  
14 County of Los Angeles.

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16 The substance of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry  
17 by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final  
18 following approval by all parties.

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20 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being  
21 present.

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23 CS-5. In Open Session, this item was continued one week to  
24 August 11, 2009.

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1 CS-6. No reportable action was taken.

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13 related to any party to the said action; nor in anywise  
14 interested in the outcome thereof.

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